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I must have dropped it at that time
I didn't think of it before
At any rate
I have to go back to school and look for it!
Huh?
Isn't she going to walk me outside?
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Woof!!
SORRY WOOF!
Woof Woof Woof
I CAN'T WALK YOU NOW!
TAKE ME TO A WALK! TAKE ME TO A WALK!
LATER OKAY?
Please!
That letter is still somewhere in school!
I hope
SHE'S LATE

What if...
Someone took it with him?
I thought someone might have thrown it in the garbage can.
It's not here either...
BUT IT'S ALREADY DARK OUTSIDE
IT'S JUST 4 NOW, RIGHT?
I've got to hurry!
Kouki-kun must be waiting for me now!
Oh no!
How can it become so complicated like this!?
Jeez!
SO MEAN!
I CAN'T TRUST SENPAI ANYMORE!

KOUKI-KUN!
AH!
THAT'S
I
UH
What now?
If I don't have the letter there's nothing we need to talk about
UH
SO
WHAT DID YOU WANT TO TALK ABOUT?
きょろ
きょろ
きょろ
There's nobody else in here, is there?
He's still waiting for me.
I'M REALLY SORRY.
Thank goodness.
YOU'RE THE ONE WHO ASKED ME TO COME HERE
WHAT HAPPENED
IF YOU DIDN'T COME IN 5 MINUTES I'D HAVE COME HOME
I'M SORRY.
I'M SO LATE!

I'm such an idiot
But I wasn't lying I really wanted to see him
I TOLD YOU I WAS SORRY
I him waited for an hour!
THEN WHY WERE YOU SO LATE?
I WANTED TO SEE KOUKI-KUN!

DON'T BE SO TROUBLED
AT LEAST KANA TOLD ME THE TRUTH
ITS OKAY I FORGIVE YOU

I TOLD YOU I'M FINE
His hand
I'M SO SORRY
I MADE YOU WAIT FOR AN HOUR
is so cold
KANA...
For some reason,
Kouki-kun is really nice.
I'm glad that he couldn't get the letter.
My heart hurts.
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WOOF!
WHAT ARE YOU DOING HERE?
COME!
YUUTA!
WOOF
WOOF
I'VE FINALLY FOUND YOU!
THIS IS BAD KOUKI KUN!
HURRY UP! LEAVE!
HUH?
IT'S MY BROTHER!
HUH? NEE-CHAN?
DON'T JUST RUN AWAY WITHOUT ME
YUUTA!
WHAT A COINCIDENCE! LET'S GO HOME!
Woof Woof
WHO IS HE?
NEE-CHAN'S BOY FRIEND?
I WANNA SEE HIM! I WANNA SEE HIM!
AH

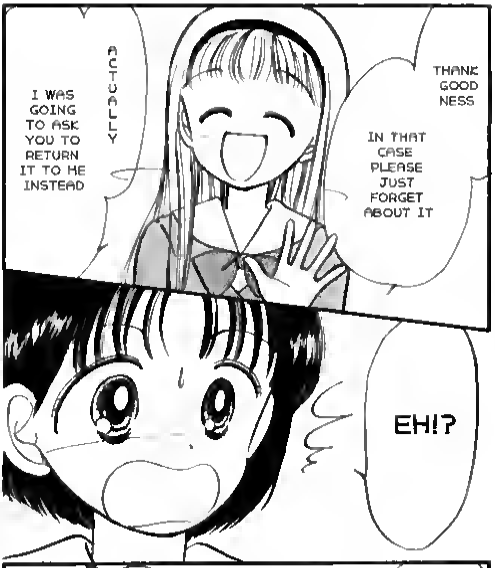
KOUKI?
I DON'T THINK I'VE SEEN HIM BEFORE
THAT CAN'T BE
HE'S MY CLASSMATE KOUKI-KUN
DON'T TELL ME
HE'S SHIBATA KOUKI?
I TOLD YOU
HE'S MY CLASSMATE
NO WAY NEE-CHAN!
HE'S THE ONE THAT MOTHER'S ALWAYS TALKED ABOUT?
SHE TOLD YOU NOT TO DATE HIM
IF YOU DID
YUUTA!

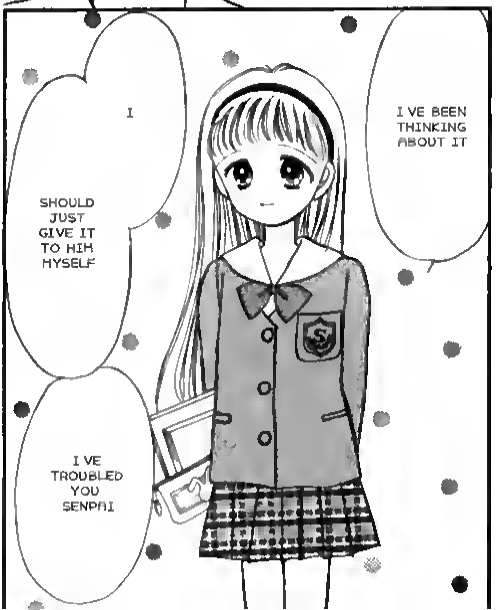
DON'T TELL MOTHER ABOUT IT
PLEASE
PLEASE
PLEASE YUUTA
IDIOT.
HUH?

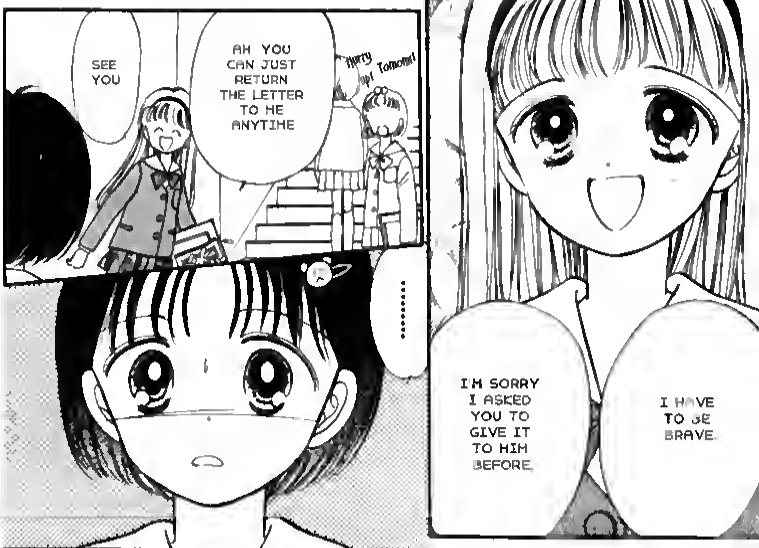
JEEZ
YES I DID
I WAS KIDDING YUUTA!
I'LL TRUST YOU REALLY!
YUUTA-SAMA!
OH WELL
IF NEE-CHAN REALLY THOUGHT THAT WAY, THEN MAYBE I WAS REALLY THAT KIND OF GUY
OF COURSE!
I WON'T TELL MOM ABOUT IT
DID YOU REALLY THINK I WAS THAT KIND OF PERSON?
THAT'S NOT GOOD FOR THE CHILDREN THEY CAN'T EVEN DATE EACH OTHER
I DON'T KNOW WHY THEY DON'T GET ALONG
HOW ANNOYING.
I'D BE HONORED TO BE YOUR ALLY NEE-CHAN
I'M A CHILD TOO SO I UNDERSTAND YOUR POSITION
POOR NEE-CHAN
HE DOESN'T WANT TO BE BOTHERED WITH MISCELLANEOUS STUFF
WE CAN'T RELY ON DAD EITHER
Maybe we need to kick his butt first
HE SAID IT

YOU ARE A RELIABLE PERSON AFTER ALL YUUTA
EVEN THOUGH YOU'RE SO SMALL
YOU JUST FOUND OUT NOW?
I'VE ALWAYS BEEN AN ALLY FOR JUSTICE YUUTA-KUN
EVEN THOUGH I'M SMALL
かーっはっはっは
YOU NEED TO GIVE ME 500 YEN IF YOU WANT ME TO KEEP IT A SECRET THOUGH
HUH? IT'S TOO LITTLE. YOU SAID? IN THAT CASE WHAT ABOUT 1000 YEN?
I'M NOT GOING TO BRIBE YOU!
You said you were the ally of justice, didn't you?
Thank you Yuuta
I'm a little calmer now...

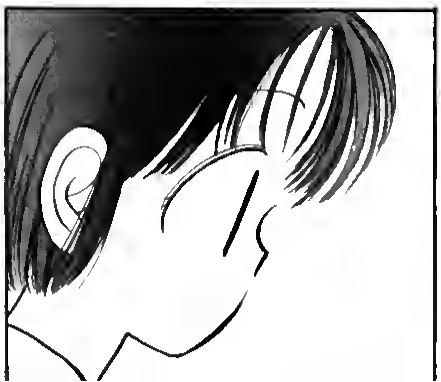
KANA-SENPAI!
♡
Maybe someone already picked it up!
What should I do now?
I still can't find it
ガサゴソ
ARE YOU LOOKING FOR SOME-THING?
Senpai, you look pretty today ♡
Oh no Tomomi-chan!
UM YES KIND OF
Hiii
カバン
FREE
ZE
HUH?
BY THE WAY SENPAI
HOW'S IT TURNED OUT?
I HAVEN'T GIVEN IT TO HIM YET
THAT'S...
SORRY...
I'M


THANK GOOD NESS
IN THAT CASE PLEASE JUST FORGET ABOUT IT
ACTUALLY
I WAS GOING TO ASK YOU TO RETURN IT TO HE INSTEAD
EH!?


I'VE BEEN THINKING ABOUT IT
I SHOULD JUST GIVE IT TO HIM MYSELF
I'VE TROUBLED YOU SENPAI


SEE YOU
AH YOU CAN JUST RETURN THE LETTER TO HE ANYTIME
Hurry up! Tomomi!
.....
I'M SORRY I ASKED YOU TO GIVE IT TO HIM BEFORE
I HAVE TO BE BRAVE

What if I can't find the letter?
You shouldn't have given it to me at the first place!

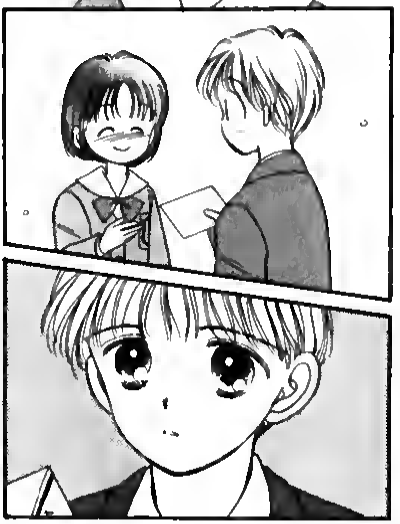

IS THIS ...
THE ONE YOU'VE BEEN LOOKING FOR?

FOR KOUKI-SENPAI
THAT SO?
THANK GOOD NESS
I SAW YOU WERE TROUBLED SO I WAS THINKING MAYBE YOU'RE THE ONE WHO LOST THIS
THAT'S IT!
THE LETTER!
WHERE DID YOU FIND IT?

THANK YOU SO MUCH
I'm so glad

I PICKED UP THIS LETTER YESTER-DAY
I DIDN T KNOW WHAT TO DO
THE SENDER S NAME ISN T ON THE LETTER EITHER

IS THAT SO?
Thank goodness



HUH?
IF THIS LETTER IS SO VALUABLE
I DON'T THINK IT'LL BE FAIR IF I JUST GIVE IT BACK TO YOU
THAT'S IT!
TOMORROW IS SUNDAY
MEET ME AT RIBON LAND AT 10.
I'LL RETURN THE LETTER THEN
HUH?
Go to the amusement park? But why?
HIGASHI!
WHAT'RE YOU DOING WITH THE UPPER CLASSMAN?
HEHE
OKAY SEE YOU TOMORROW
NICE TO MEET YOU
SUZUKI KANA-SENPAI!
HOW DID YOU KNOW MY NAME?
He calls me senpai, which means he's younger than me.
COULD IT BE DURING THE CULTURE FESTIVAL

He was so pushy.
What was that?
WAIT!
GIVE ME BACK THE LETTER!
I THOUGHT HE WAS OUR SENPAI.
HE'S JUST A FRESHMAN BUT HE'S SO ANNOYING
HE'S KIND OF BABY FACE THOUGH
THANK GOODNESS. I HADN'T CALLED HIM WITH THE HONORIFIC TERM -SAN YET!
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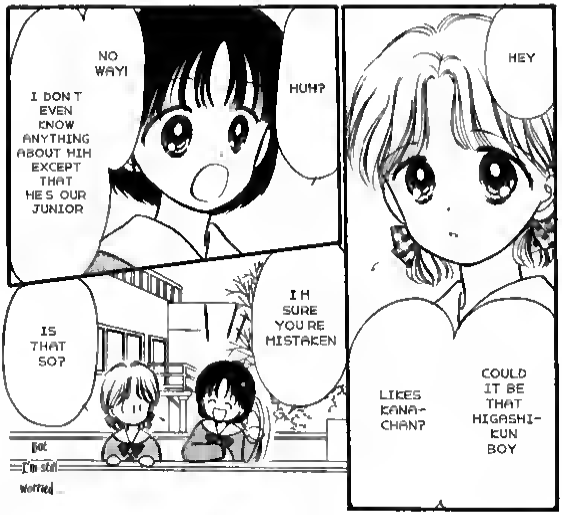
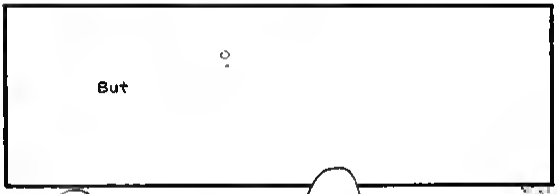
IT CAN'T BE HELPED. CAN IT?
IF I DON'T, HE WON'T GIVE ME BACK THE LETTER
WHAT?
ARE YOU REALLY GONNA GO THERE?
TOMO-RROW?
.....
AH
HOW ANNOYING
WHAT ARE WE GONNA DO IN THE AMUSEMENT PARK?


HEY
COULD IT BE THAT HIGASHI-KUN BOY LIKES KANA-CHAN?
HUH?
I'M SURE YOU'RE MISTAKEN
NO WAY!
I DON'T EVEN KNOW ANYTHING ABOUT HIM EXCEPT THAT HE'S OUR JUNIOR
IS THAT SO?
But I'm still worried...


But

I wonder...
How everything will turn out
THANK GOODNESS
YOU REALLY CAME
SENPAI!

I'D BEEN WAITING FOR YOU YOU WERE LATE
WHAT?
KANA-CHAN
RIBON LAND
You said I had to come to this place to obtain it
I'M SO HAPPY
I ALMOST GAVE UP
I CAME HERE TO GET BACK THE LETTER
OF COURSE I DID
HEAR GIVE IT TO ME
I'LL GIVE YOU BACK THE LETTER
IF YOU DATE ME FOR THE DAY
I'M SO GLAD
TODAY'S SO BRIGHT ISN'T IT?
He really is pushy
Very pushy
Kana-chan?
What is he thinking really?
HIGA-SHI-KUN

It really looks like
We're dating
NEXT IS THE JET COASTER!
LET'S GO!
I've been dreaming to go to the amusement park with Kouki-kun
THIS JET COASTER IS AWESOME
HAVE YOU RIDDEN IT BEFORE?
NO
IS THAT SO?
AH IT STARTS MOVING
ISN'T IT
AWESOME!?

A HA HA HA HA HA
AND HE COULDN'T STOP SCREAMING
HIS FACE WAS SO PALE
Like This
KANA-CHAN YOU WERE SO LIVELY TOO
DID YOU HEAR YOUR SCREAM?
RIGHT?
I'VE NEVER BEEN SO AFRAID LIKE THIS BEFORE
THAT WAS FUN!
LET'S RIDE IT AGAIN!
BY THE WAY
DID YOU NOTICE THE PERSON WHO SAT BEHIND US EARLIER?
THE SCREAM PART II
LET'S RIDE THAT ONE NOW KANA-CHAN!
IDIOT
Why am I so energized being with this kid?
Jeez what am I doing?
UGH
I DO.
DO YOU WANT ME TO RETURN THIS TO YOU OR NOT?
I DIDN'T COME HERE TO PLAY!
AND STOP CALLING ME KANA-CHAN!
I'm your senpai, you know!
EXCUSE ME

THERE WON'T BE THE SECOND TIME
SO
WOULD YOU LIKE TO GO ON A DATE WITH HE TODAY?
He said
"I'm sorry"
Why?
I'M SORRY
I KNOW KANA-CHAN ALREADY HAS RYUICHIRO-SAN
I'M SORRY I'VE CAUSED YOU A TROUBLE
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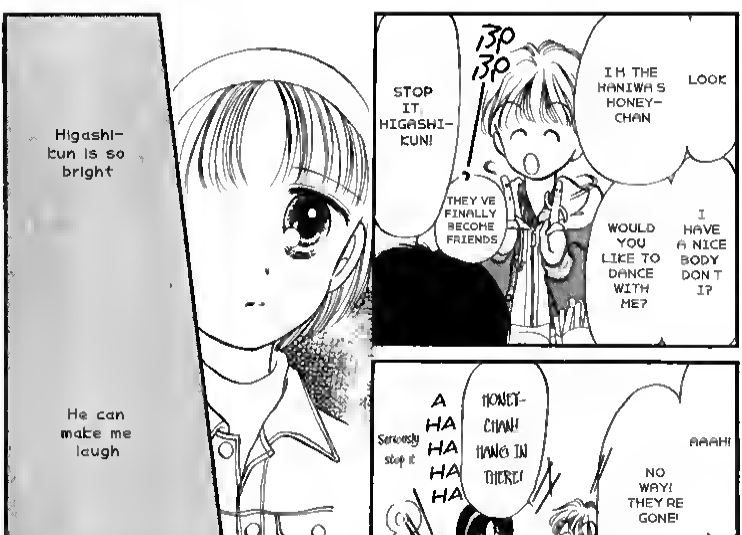
I'LL SHOW YOU SOME-THING INTER-ESTING
YOU'RE RIGHT!
EXCUSE ME MAY I HAVE A TOOTH-PICK PLEASE?
IT SHAPES LIKE A HANIWA
WOW
He's just being a little pushy that's all
KANA-CHAN!
LOOK AT THIS FRIES!


Higashi-kun is so bright
He can make me laugh
STOP IT HIGASHI-KUN!
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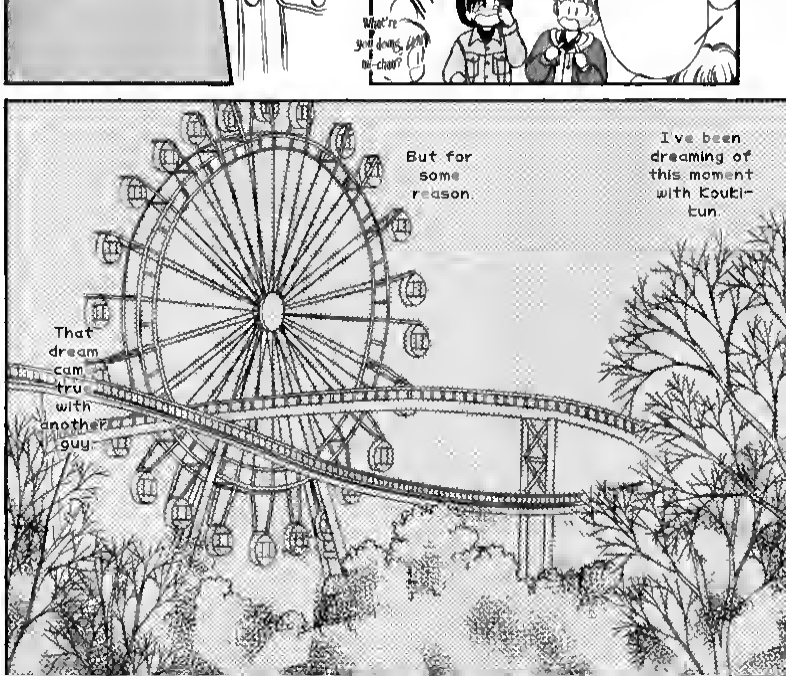
THEY'VE FINALLY BECOME FRIENDS
I'M THE KANIWA'S HONEY-CHAN
LOOK
WOULD YOU LIKE TO DANCE WITH ME?
I HAVE A NICE BODY DON'T IP
Seriously stop it
A HA HA HA HA
HONEY-CHAN! HANG IN THERE!
What're your dreams, Kani-chan?
AAAH!
NO WAY! THEY'RE GONE!


That dream came tru with another guy.
But for some reason
I've been dreaming of this moment with Kouki-kun.

カチャッ
YES?
SHIBATA
ピンポーン
KITAHARA?
I'M SORRY
I CAME UNINVITED
I HAVE
SOMETHING TO TALK TO YOU SENPAI

HIGASHI-KUN!
THANKS.
I'LL REALLY RETURN IT TO YOU THIS TIME
HERE
HE TOOK HER ALL THE WAY HOME.
JEEZ
THAT WASN'T FUNNY
HERE
JUST KIDDING
THANK YOU KANA-CHAN
BECAUSE YOU REALLY CAME
BUT I WAS SO HAPPY
I'M SORRY
FOR TODAY
I FORCED YOU TO KEEP ME A COMPANY

When he showed me that face
I can't be angry anymore for some reason

Remember the promise?
STOP IT
You silly boy!
ALTHOUGH IT'D BE NICE IF WE COULD GO TO THE AMUSEMENT PARK AGAIN
WHY DON'T WE GO SKATING NEXT?
LET'S GO FOR ANOTHER DATE ONCE IN A WHILE

EH?
KANA-SENPAI?

KITA-HARA!
YOU FORGOT YOUR HAT!
Why is she here?
HEY
WHAT'RE YOU DOING?
YOU'RE WITH HIGASHI-KUN?
Tomomi-chan?

She came to Kouki-kun's place?
Tomomi-chan
AH I'M SORRY I'M SO CLUMSY
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Don't tell me.
I HAVE TO BE BRAVE

What should I say?
I can't tell Tomomi-chan that I lost her letter
It was
IT WAS
IT WASN'T A DATE
HEY
HOW COULD YOU BE WITH KANA-SENPAI?
AH
WE WENT TO THE AMUSEMENT PARK FOR A DATE
RIGHT SEN-PAI?
HUH?
HUH?
IT'S OKAY
I WILL KEEP IT A SECRET FROM RYUICHIRO-SENPAI
SENPAI
He's misunderstood
Kouki-kun
I can't see Kouki-kun's face
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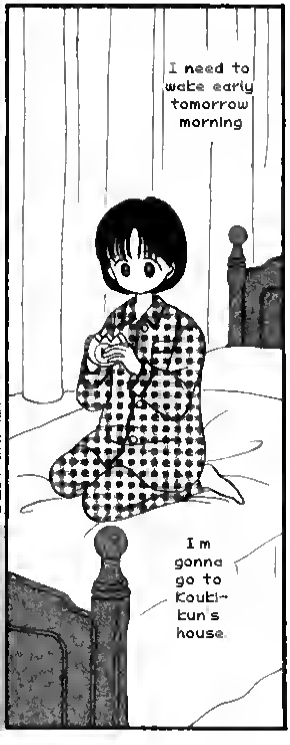
SEE YOU KITA HARA
BE CAREFUL ON THE WAY HOME
SURE
Kouki-kun
What happened between you and Tomomi-chan?
It really sucks
A secret relation ship
To have
Bye, senpai

I have to
Clear this misunderstanding with Kouki-kun as soon as possible


I need to wake early tomorrow morning
I'm gonna go to Kouki-kun's house

Ugh it's so cold
Is he still sleeping?
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There he is!
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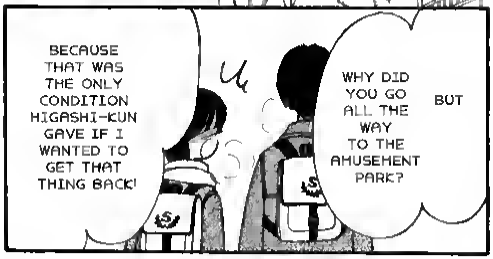
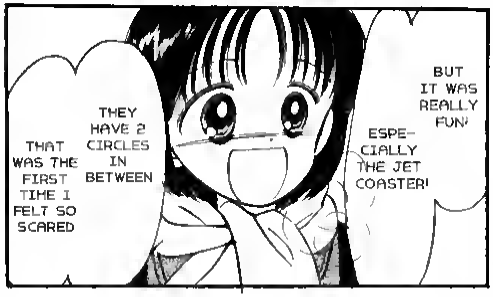
HUH?
NO... NOTHING
It's his mom
EXCUSE ME
VERY SUSPICIOUS.
WHAT DO YOU WANT NOW?
She scared me
Ugh
I waited for 30 minutes
But it was for nothing
KANA!

THANK GOOD-NESS
I'VE FOUND YOU!
KOUKI-KUN
YOU CAME TO MY HOUSE EARLIER RIGHT?
I HEARD YOU TALKED TO MY MOM
I FIGURED SOMETHING HAD HAPPENED
NOTHING SERIOUS
I WAS JUST WAITING FOR KOUKI-KUN
I WANTED TO EXPLAIN WHAT HAPPENED YESTER-DAY
ACTUA-LLY
I JUST DROPPED SOMETHING TOMOMI-CHAN GAVE ME
Thank goodness
Kouki-kun wasn't angry

FUH
IS THAT SO?
I WAS SURE THAT SOME-THING HAPPENED
I COULDN'T BELIEVE IT EITHER
ACTUA-LLY

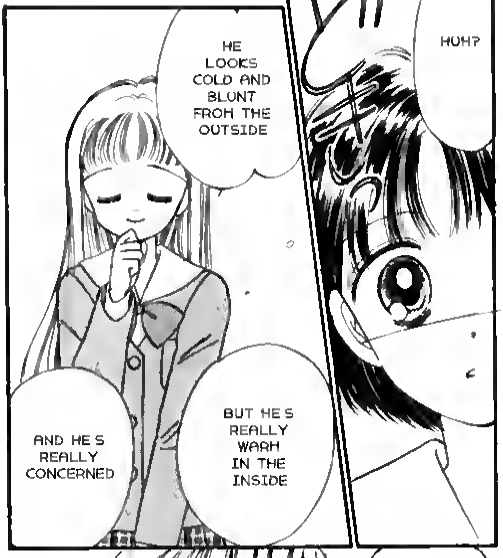

BUT
WHY DID YOU GO ALL THE WAY TO THE AMUSEMENT PARK?
BECAUSE THAT WAS THE ONLY CONDITION HIGASHI-KUN GAVE IF I WANTED TO GET THAT THING BACK!


BUT IT WAS REALLY FUN!
ESPE-CIALLY THE JET COASTER!
THEY HAVE 2 CIRCLES IN BETWEEN
THAT WAS THE FIRST TIME I FELT SO SCARED

IT SEEMS
THAT YOU REALLY ENJOYED YOUR DAY...
I DIDN'T SEE HIM THOUGH HIGASHI-KUN IS THE ONE WHO TOLD ME ABOUT IT
THE PERSON BEHIND US SCREAMED SO LOUD
BY THE WAY
THERE WAS MORE INTERESTING THING HAPPENED
WHAT?
YOU'RE MISTAKEN!
I JUST THOUGHT THAT IT'D BE SO MUCH FUN IF KOUKI-KUN AND I COULD GO TOGETHER SOMETIMES
HH
ANYWAY, KOUKI-KUN
.....
WHAT HAPPENED BETWEEN YOU AND TOMOMI-CHAN?

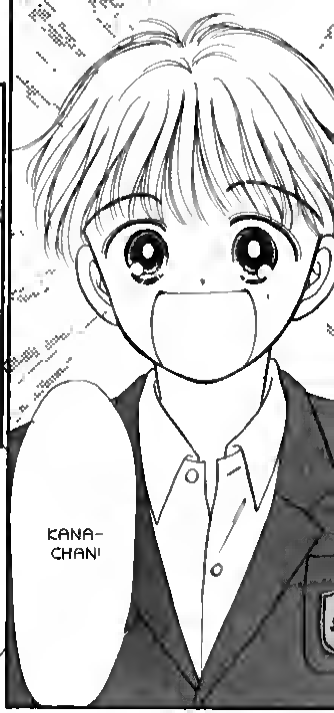
Are you telling me the truth?
IS THAT SO?
NOTHING
SHE WALKED NEARBY MY HOUSE AND WE ACCIDENTALLY MET
WE NEED TO HURRY. WE'RE ALMOST LATE.
Is that really it?
Do you hide something from me?
MAYBE WE SHOULD WALK ON OUR OWN.
KANA, I'M GOING FIRST.
OKAY.
IDIOT
I Should have doubted him.
There's nothing to be worried about
Kouki-kun must have rejected her immediately
If
Tomomi-chan confessed her feeling

IT'S OKAY
DON'T WORRY ABOUT IT
I REALLY AM SORRY SENPAI
I ASKED YOU TO DO ME A FAVOR WITHOUT CONSIDERING YOUR FEELING FIRST
SHE PUTS THE LETTER INSIDE
HERE
I PROMISED THAT I'D RETURN IT TO YOU RIGHT?
SERI-OUSLY
KANA-SENPAI IS REALLY NICE
EVERY-ONE SAYS SO
THEY SAID THAT KANA-SENPAI WAS EASY TO TALK TO
REALLY?
THANKS
Tomomi-chan is so cute...
What if Tomomi-chan knows my true feeling?
But I can't definitely tell her about it
I'm feeling so guilty
KOUKI-SENPAI IS A NICE PERSON TOO


HUH?
HE LOOKS COLD AND BLUNT FROM THE OUTSIDE
BUT HE'S REALLY WARM IN THE INSIDE
AND HE'S REALLY CONCERNED

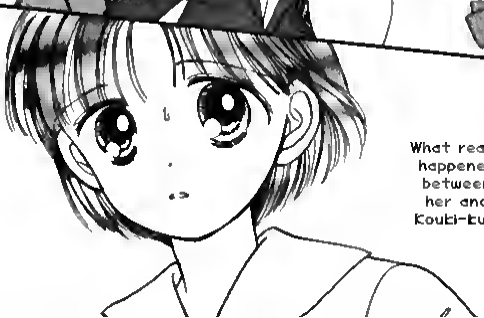
I CAME TO HIS PLACE UNINVITED BUT HE DIDN'T SEND ME AWAY HE LISTENED TO WHAT I HAD TO SAY INSTEAD
IT MAKES ME LOVE HIM EVEN MORE
Did Tomomi-chan confess her feeling?
WH WHAT DID YOU TALK TO HIM ABOUT?

HIGASHI-KUN
IT'S A DESTINY! LOOKS LIKE WE'RE TIED WITH THE RED STRING TOGETHER!
YAY YAY!
WHAT A COINCI-DENCE! WE MEET EACH OTHER AGAIN!


KANA-CHAN!

HEY
WHY DON'T YOU COME TO THE FRESHMAN'S AREA? I'LL BE YOUR TOUR GUIDE
HIGA-SHI-KUN!
We're going to the same school. It's not weird if we see each other often.
AGAIN
YOU'RE BEING PUSHY

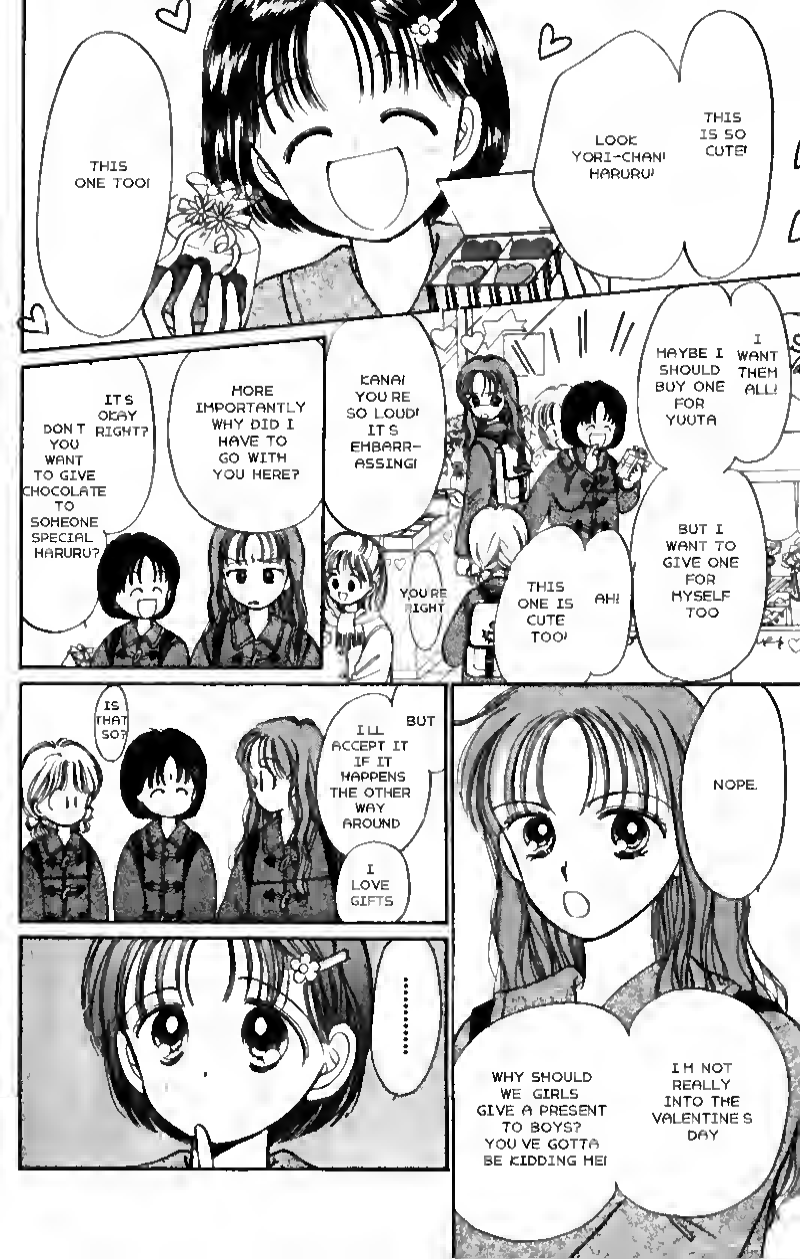
WAIT!
HIGA-SHI-KUN!
SHUDDUP TOMOMI!
LET'S GO KANA-CHAN!
YOU'VE BURDENED KANA-SENPAI
CUT IT OUT!


What really happened between her and Koubi-kun?
I still want to talk to Tomomi-chan

Ugh!
It seems that
Kouki-kun is cheated on me
But
Looks like I can't trust Kouki-kun after all!
I feel awkward anytime I talk to him
Kouki-kun has been busy with his basket ball club
I don't get a chance to meet him often
FEBRUARY.
VALENTINE'S DAY'S REPORT?

YUP
I'M THINKING TO WRITE SOMETHING ABOUT OUR SCHOOL DURING THAT DAY
WOW
THAT SOUNDS FUN
I ALMOST FORGOT THAT WE HAVE VALENTINE'S DAY IN FEBRUARY
YOU SAID SO
THE TOP 10 PEOPLE THAT GET THE MOST CHOCOLATE
WE'LL DO A QUESTIONNAIRE ABOUT VALENTINE
WE SHOULD INCLUDE A CHOCOLATE RECIPE AS WELL
SOUNDS GOOD
PLEASE LET ME GATHER THE INFORMATION
SURE
WE'RE COUNTING ON YOU OOTE-MACHI-SAN
SHE LOOKS COOL DOESN'T SHE?
HER MOM IS THE LEADER OF THE PTA
WOW
so it's easy for her to gather information
Should I make a homemade chocolate?
It feels so special
Really
Valentine's day

KANA-CHAN!
YOSHI
I'LL DO MY BEST!
I better do it fast while I'm still in the mood.
IT'S DECIDED!
YORI-CHAN
DID YOU WAIT FOR ME?
YES
I JUST FINISHED MY COMMITTEE MEETING
EH?
HEY KANA-CHAN
WHY DON'T WE GO HOME TOGETHER TOMORROW AND GO LOOK FOR SOME CHOCOLATES?
I KNOW A CUTE STORE THAT SELLS GOODIES
IS THAT SO?
BY THE WAY
SHOULD WE TAKE HARURU WITH US?
SURE WHY NOT?
OKAY THEN
I CAN GO LOOK FOR SOME DATA TOO
This time is about the Valentine's day
NO WAY YORI-CHAN
YOU HAVE SOMEONE YOU WANNA GIVE THE CHOCOLATE TO?
THAT'S NOT IT
I JUST WANT TO LOOK AROUND IT'LL BE FUN


THIS ONE TOO!
LOOK YORI-CHAN! HARURU!
THIS IS SO CUTE!
I WANT THEM ALL!
MAYBE I SHOULD BUY ONE FOR YUUTA
BUT I WANT TO GIVE ONE FOR MYSELF TOO
AH!
THIS ONE IS CUTE TOO!
KANA! YOU'RE SO LOUD! IT'S EMBARR-ASSING!
YOU'RE RIGHT
MORE IMPORTANTLY WHY DID I HAVE TO GO WITH YOU HERE?
IT'S OKAY RIGHT? DON'T YOU WANT TO GIVE CHOCOLATE TO SOMEONE SPECIAL HARURU?
NOPE.
I'M NOT REALLY INTO THE VALENTINE'S DAY
WHY SHOULD WE GIRLS GIVE A PRESENT TO BOYS? YOU'VE GOTTA BE KIDDING ME!
BUT I'LL ACCEPT IT IF IT HAPPENS THE OTHER WAY AROUND
I LOVE GIFTS
IS THAT SO?
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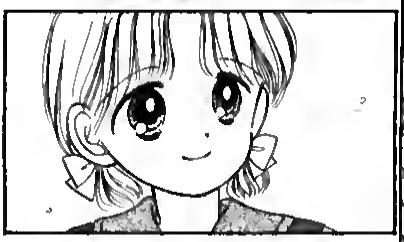
SAY
WHAT IF WE GIVE HIM THIS AND TELL HIM THAT IT'S FROM THE THREE OF US?
RYUICHIRO LOVES IT
HE'S A SUCKER FOR CHEESECAKES AND ANYTHING CHEESY
WHAT!?
YOU'RE KIDDING RIGHT?
NO WAY!
WHY HIM?
AH
IT LOOKS DELI-CIOUS
THIS CHOCO-LATE HAS A CREAM CHEESE TASTE
IT HASN'T!
STOP TALKING ABOUT HIM ALREADY!
HARURU, YOUR FACE'S TURNED RED.
YOU TWO CAN JUST GIVE IT TO HIM YOUR-SELVES.
HE'S NOT MY FRIEND.
IT'S OKAY
He's our friend, right?
HARURU, YOU'RE SO LOUD.

Haruru is so cute.

It seems that she really loves Ryuichiro.



AS LONG AS YOU HAVE SKILLS... YOU'RE FINE
I'VE BOUGHT A LOT OF TOPPINGS ALREADY
BUT IT'LL BE FUN FOR SURE
THIS IS GOING TO BE THE FIRST TIME I MAKE A CHOCOLATE I WONDER IF IT'LL TASTE GOOD

YOU VE BEEN SO QUIET LATELY SO I WAS WORRIED
THANK GOOD-NESS
KANA-CHAN LOOKS HEALTHY
She asked me to come here
That's why...
YORI-CHAN
YORI-CHAN
I REALLY LIKE YOU
Thank you Yori-chan.
Yori-chan can always make me feel calm.

IT'S NOT AS EASY AS I THOUGHT IT D
I NEED TO DO IT AGAIN!
OOPS I JUST DROPPED THE BOWL!
カチャッ

WHAT ARE YOU DOING? IT'S LATE ALREADY
KANA?
ピッ

UM
NEXT, MINCE THE CHOCO-LATE
AND PUT IT ON THE DOUBLE BOILER
HOW DO I DO THAT?

IT'S A VALEN-TINE'S CHOCO-LATE
ISN'T IT?
YOU DON'T NEED TO HIDE IT FROM ME.
Oh, no
I dropped it again!

AH
Mother!
カチャ

BE CAREFUL. DON'T MESS IT UP.
HOW NICE. YOU MAKE A HOMEMADE CHOCO-LATE.

BY THE WAY
It better not be Kouki-kun
WHO'S THE LUCKY GUY
HUH?
UH
What do I say now?
I don't feel like spitting out just about any names
It's gonna be a lie
HUH?
It better not be Kouki-kun.
What should I do?
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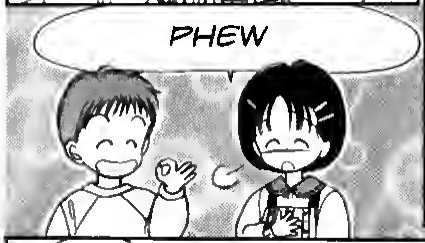
I KNOW HIM
YUUTA
YOU'RE STILL AWAKE?
YOU'RE GONNA GIVE IT TO RYUI-CHIRO AREN'T YOU?
THAT CHOCO-LATE

THAT BOY IS A NICE PERSON
WHY DON'T YOU INVITE HIM HERE SOME TIMES?
I'M GOING TO SLEEP NOW
YOU TWO BETTER GO TO SLEEP SOON TOO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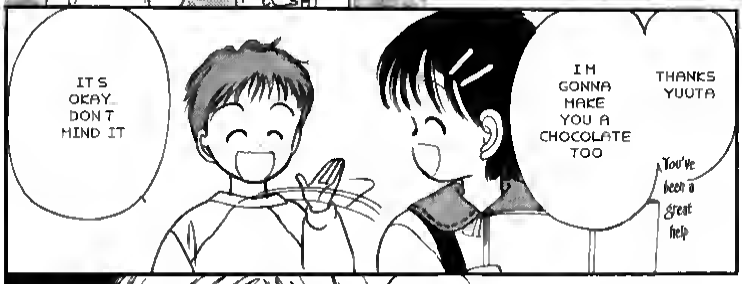
NO WAY YUUTA
HOW
YOU CAN'T HIDE IT FROM US FOREVER SIS
THERE HAS BEEN A RUMOR ABOUT YOU TWO
He did it!
SO IT'S RYUI-CHIRO-KUN?
HOW UNEX-PECTED


IT'S OKAY DON'T MIND IT
I'M GONNA MAKE YOU A CHOCOLATE TOO
THANKS YUUTA
You've been a great help

WHAT?
I HAVE SOME THING TO TELL YOU SIS
MORE IMPOR-TANT LY
YOU DON'T TRUST MY SKILLS DO YOU?

THIS
IS MOM AND KOUKI-KUN'S MOM WHEN THEY WERE YOUNG?
NO WAY
WHY? THEY SEEMED TO GET ALONG WELL
I KNOW SOMEONE WHO KNOWS ABOUT THEM
HE BORROWED ME THIS PICTURE
THEY WERE GOOD FRIENDS A LONG TIME AGO
THEY HAD BEEN TOGETHER SINCE MIDDLE SCHOOL THEY EVEN WORKED AT THE SAME COMPANY
MOM AND KOUKI-KUN'S MOM
IF THEY WERE GOOD FRIENDS BEFORE HOW COULD THEY BE ENEMIES NOW?

FIGHTING OVER A MAN CAN BREAK A RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN TWO WOMEN YOU KNOW?
BUT I'M GUESSING THE REASON MUST BE
A MAN
.....
I HAVEN'T FIGURED IT OUT YET
ABOUT THAT
THE STORY ENDED AFTER THEY WENT TO THE SAME COMPANY.
IF ONLY THEY WOULD OPEN THEIR HEART, THEY COULD FIX SOMETHING THAT HAS BEEN BROKEN.
IT'D BE GREAT IF THEY COULD GET ALONG AGAIN.
I WONDER WHAT IT WAS.
Women are scary.
THERE MUST BE SOMETHING BIG HAPPENED.
I WILL NEVER CALL YOU THAT
かっぱっ
IT WAS NOTHING
BUT PLEASE CALL ME MR YUUTA THE SPY
You heard this information from someone else anyway
YOU'RE AMAZING, YUUTA
WELL SPOKEN.

Between Kouki-kun and me?
What will happen ...
So
I can't believe it.
Our mothers used to be friends.
It'd be great if they could get along again
If only they would open their heart they could fix something that has been broken
Just because our mother are against our relation-ship
We have to date each other secretly
We can't have a normal date
And we have to lie to others
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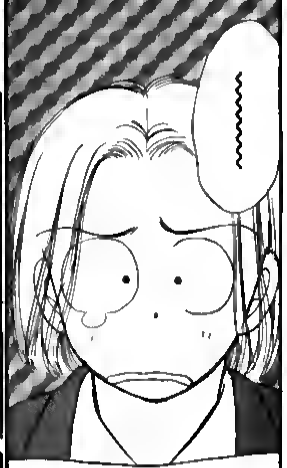
I was prepared for the worst
Hang in there!
What was I thinking?
Jeez!
NEXT I NEED TO SET THEM IN THE FRIDGE
YOSH
THEY RE PERFECT
I decided
I will do my best as long as I still love Kouki-kun
Good luck!
I have to do my best
I've decided
That I'll be his secret princess

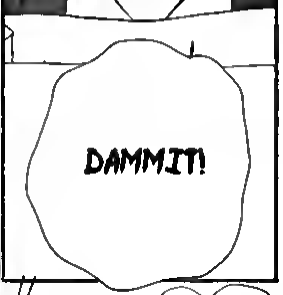
WHAT A BIG BAG YOU HAVE THERE RYUICHIRO
I CAN TELL RIGHT AWAY WHY YOU'VE BROUGHT IT WITH YOU TODAY
RIGHT!
TODAY IS THE VALENTINE'S DAY!
SPEAKING OF VALENTINE'S DAY HERE
じゃーん!!
AH HAPPY VALENTINE'S DAY
YES BACK AT YOU
TODAY'S A SPECIAL DAY ISN'T IT?
HEY KANA
HAHA OF COURSE NOT
HERE YOU GO A CHOCOLATE FROM YORI-CHAN HARURU AND ME
YOU'RE NOT GONNA TELL ME THAT YOU WON'T EVEN AT LEAST GIVE ME A FORMAL CHOCOLATE ARE YOU?
A CHOCOLATE FROM 3 PEOPLE?
がくぐ…
HUH?
EVEN FROM ANDOU?
Impossible
AND STOP YOUR WHINING HISTER
TAKE IT OR LEAVE IT

AFTER SCHOOL YOU'RE GONNA GIVE HIM THE REAL ONE AREN'T YOU?
YOU JUST WANT TO FOOL US BECAUSE THERE'RE A LOT OF PEOPLE AROUND HERE
AH I GET IT
DAMMIT! HE'S A LUCKY MAN
I was right! It's Higashi-kun!
KANA-CHAN YOU GAVE YOUR BOYFRIEND A FORMAL CHOCO LATE?
WHAT?
This voice is...
WHO'RE YOU?
AH!
I FORGOT TO INTRO-DUCE HYSELF SORRY
I'M KANA-SENPAI'S BIGGEST FAN
YOU'VE GOT YOURSELF A GIRL FRIEND AS CUTE AS KANA-CHAN
SENPAI YOU'RE SO LUCKY
FOR SOME REASON HE'S BECOME SO ATTACHED TO ME
HIGA SHI-KUN A FRESH MAN
HEY KANA
WHO'S THIS NOISY KID?
HEY!
LEAVE HER ALONE FRESH MAN!
SHOO SHOO!
KANA-CHAN
I WANT A FORMAL CHOCOLATE FROM YOU TOO
HUH?

Shoot!
Crap!
IT'S A COMPLETE OPPOSITE FROM THE PREVIOUS YEAR
I HAVEN'T EVEN GOT MORE THAN 3 FORMAL CHOCOLATES THIS YEAR
THANKS TO THAT DAMN RUMOR ABOUT KANA AND ME
WHAT THE HECK IS GOING ON HERE!?



SORRY SORRY RYUICHIRO
I'M SURE YOU'LL GET A LOT OF CHOCOLATES TOMORROW
OKAY?
EVEN MY "GIRLFRIEND" GAVE ME A FORMAL CHOCOLATE FROM 3 PEOPLE!
I feel sorry for myself


DAMMIT!

SHI BATA-KUN
HERE
YOU SHOULDN'T HAVE BROUGHT THIS GIANT BAG. IT'S JUST GONNA EMBARRASS YOU MAN
SERIOUSLY YOU'VE ONLY GOT 3?
DAMMIT! STOP LAUGHING!
I WANT THEM TODAY!
I DON'T WANT TO GET THEM TOMORROW!
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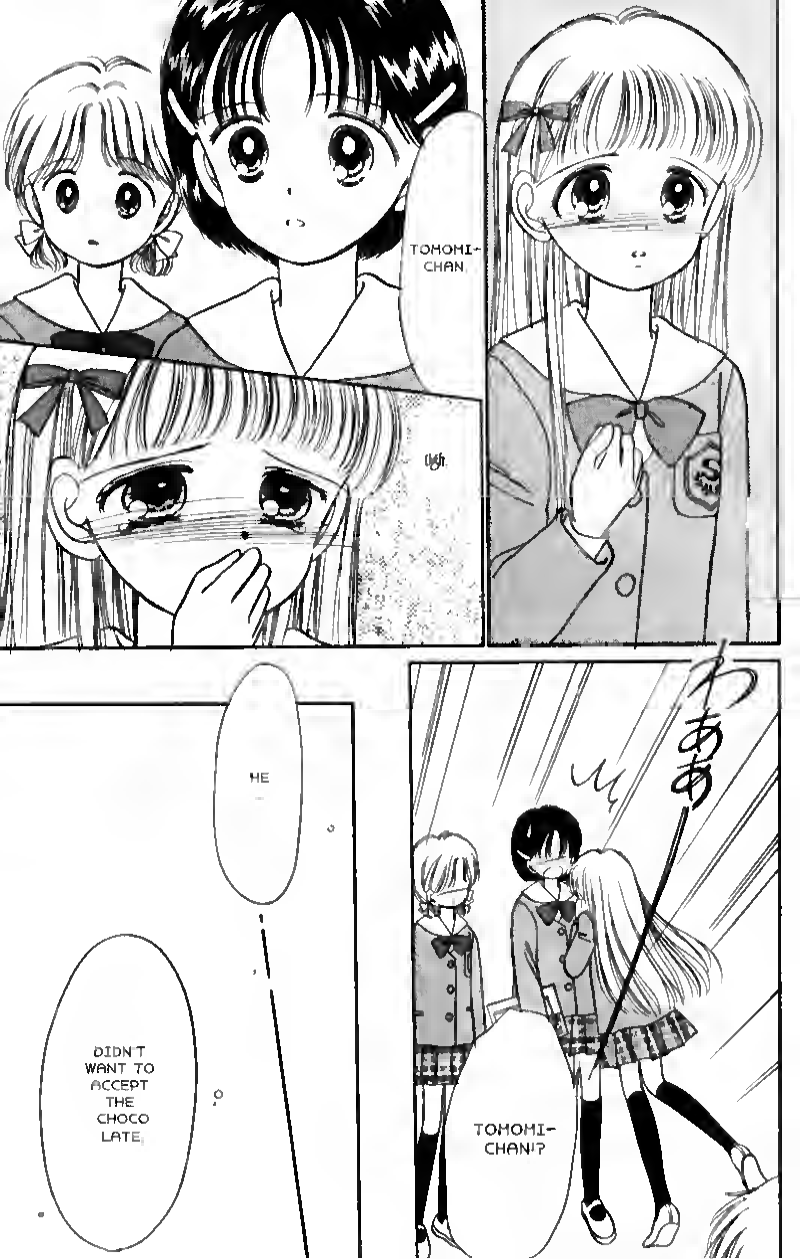
RYUICHIRO
I'M SURE YOUR PRIDE HURTS NOW RIGHT?
AND THEN YOU CAN GIVE THEM TO ME!
RIGHT!
KOUKI!
WHY DIDN'T YOU JUST ACCEPT THE CHOCOLATES!?
WE HAVE NEXT TO GO TO THE SCIENCE LAB RIGHT?
LET'S GO
THANK GOODNESS
For not accepting the chocolate from somebody else.
Thank you Kouki-kun
I can't give it to you at school
But I'll wait for you in the park after school
I'm going to give you the chocolate later
KANA-SENPAI
IT'LL BE FUN
That's right!
It's gonna be romantic
On top of the castle
I'll wait for him in the castle park


TOMOMI-CHAN
Ugh
HE
DIDN'T WANT TO ACCEPT THE CHOCO LATE.
TOMOMI-CHAN!?

I JUST WANTED HIM TO ACCEPT IT.
I MADE THE CHOCOLATE UNTIL 3 IN THE MORNING.
I KEPT MAKING IT WHILE IMAGINING KOUKI-SENPAI'S SMILEY FACE
AT THIS RATE I CAN NEVER CONFESS MY FEELING TO HIM
BUT IT SEEMS THAT FOR SENPAI I'M JUST ONE OF HIS KOUHAIS
BUT I STILL LOVE HIM
WHAT NOW KANA-SENPAI?
WHAT SHOULD I DO?

Couri-kun
I feel relieved somehow
He didn't accept Tomomi-chan's chocolate either
TOMOMI-CHAN
IT'S SO PAINFUL
For some reason
But why?
My heart hurts

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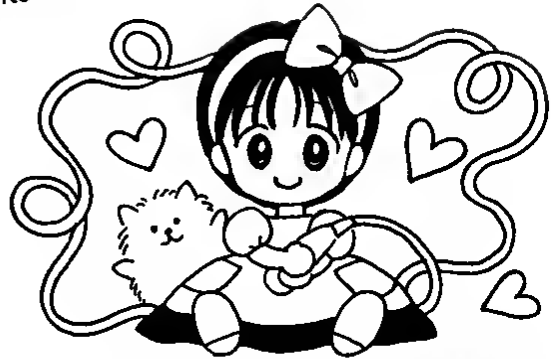

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SECRET PRINCESS

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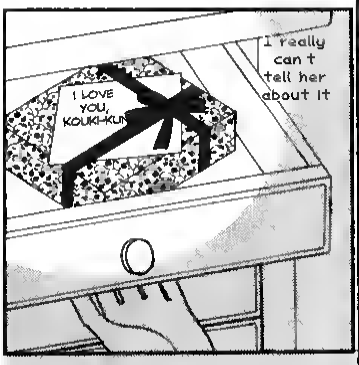
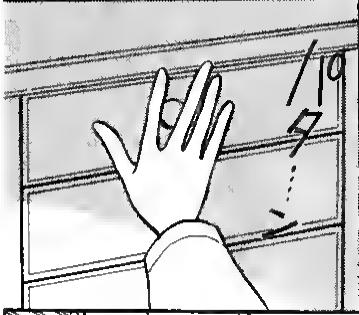
I don't want to feel this anymore
I really want to tell Tomomi-chan the truth!
I CRIED BEFORE YOU
YOU MUST HAVE BEEN BURDENED RIGHT?
I'M SORRY SENPAI
I can't advice you anything
I'm sorry too Tomomi-chan


I LOVE YOU, KOUKI-KUN
I really can't tell her about it



But
I wonder what her reaction will be
Meanwhile I still can't tell anyone else about it
I've been so selfish

I've been lying to people
I don't deserve happiness if the others are not happy
I can't give the chocolate to Kouki-kun
Not when I'm feeling guilty like this

AH
I SPENT A LOT OF TIME TO MAKE THOSE CHOCOLATES
HUH WOOF? TOO BAD

WHAT SHOULD I DO?
WOOF
I m sorry Kouki-kun

SHE DIDN'T GIVE ME ANY THING
WHAT KIND OF CHOCOLATE DID YOU GET FROM KANA? YESTERDAY?
KOUKI WHY ARE YOU SO GLOOMY?
HUH?
I'm sorry
I can't give you the choco-late
I TOLD YOU SHE DIDN'T GIVE ME ANY-THING!
LOVELY? YOU GET IT?
IT WAS A HOMEMADE CHOCOLATE WASN'T IT? DAMN! I ENVY YOU LOVELY VALENTINE!
DON'T WORRY YOU WON'T HURT HY FEEL-ING
AGAIN WITH THAT ATTI-TUDE
SERIOUSLY?
YOU'RE LYING RIGHT?
I'M NOT INTO A VALEN-TINE'S DAY AFTER ALL.
IT'S OKAY. I DON'T CARE
YOU SHOULDN'T DO THAT BEFORE THE VALENTINE'S DAY YOU KNOW
WHY NOT? DID YOU HAVE A FIGHT?

KOUKI
THE PROBLEM IS YOUR PERSONA-LITY
I GET IT
YOU NEVER CARED ABOUT KANA
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YOU SHOULD'VE JUST BEEN STRAIGHT TO HER
TELL HER THAT YOU WANT A CHOCOLATE FROM HER
MAYBE THAT'S WHY SHE HATES YOU
YOU NEVER SAY SOMETHING SWEET TO HER OR GIVE HER A RESPECT
IN YOUR CASE
SINCE YOU TWO DON'T HAVE A NORMAL RELATION-SHIP
YOU SHOULDN'T HAVE MADE HER MORE WORRIED
I'M SURE
SHE'S WORRIED ABOUT YOU
.....

AHH THE WEATHER IS SO NICE TODAY
IT'S SO WARM
OOPS I ALMOST FORGOT
I HAVE A MEETING DURING LUNCH BREAK TODAY
It's already time
SORRY! I'M GOING FIRST!
SEE YOU! LATER!
SHE'S ACTING STRANGE TODAY'S KANA
YES
SHE REALLY IS STRANGE
THE SQUID IS THE WINNER TODAY I'M GOING TO EAT HIM FIRST
LOOK
IT WAS A GOOD IDEA TO EAT OUR BENTO OUTSIDE
POOR SQUID

WHAT HAPPENED?
NO WAY
YESTERDAY
SHE DIDN'T GIVE A CHOCOLATE TO KOUKI EITHER
LIKE A GHOST, RIGHT?
I TOLD YOU TO STOP SNEAKING BEHIND SOMEONE'S BACK ANYMORE!
RYUI-CHIRO!
EH?
SHE'S USED TO IT ALREADY
HM...
MAYBE SHE DIDN'T GET A CHANCE TO GIVE IT TO HIM?
THAT'S THE ONLY REASON I CAN COME UP WITH
POOR KANA-CHAN...
AS I THOUGHT
SOMETHING WAS WRONG WITH THOSE TWO
.....
TO KEEP A RELATIONSHIP FROM ANYONE ELSE
IT MUST HAVE BEEN TROUBLESOME

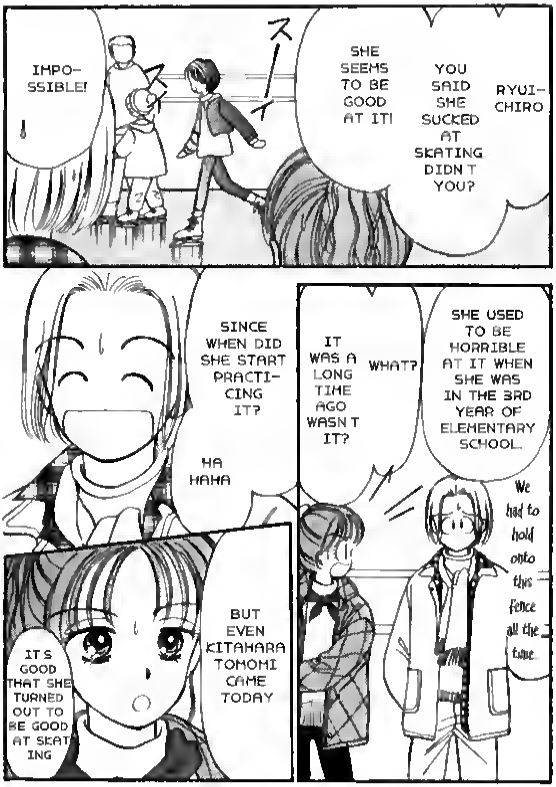
YOSH!
LET'S ALL GO SOME-WHERE!
TOGETHER!
SKATING!
WHAT ABOUT SKATING?
KANA SUCKS AT IT RIGHT?
SO SHE CAN BUMP INTO KOUKI AND
KOUKI WILL GIVE HER A HAND AND TEACH HER
AND THEN THEY TWO WILL BE HAPPY TOGETHER!
SPLENDID IDEA!
I'm a genius!
Meet-ing
I don't really want to go there
Should I skip it?
KANA!

KOUKI-KUN
AH
I'M SORRY FOR YESTER-DAY
THE CHOCO-LATE
I FAILED TO MAKE ONE
AH
IT DOESN'T MATTER
MORE IMPOR-TANTLY

NEXT SUNDAY LET'S GO SKATING WITH EVERYONE!
THANK GOOD-NESS! I'VE FOUND YOU!
KANA! KOUKI!
OI!
NEXT SUNDAY WOULD YOU LIKE TO GO SOME WHERE?
YOSH! KOUKI YOU'LL DEFINITELY JOIN US TOO WON'T YOU?
Stop interrupting
SKATING? LET'S GO! LET'S GO!
HOW NICE
AH KANA-SENPAI WILL GO SKATING WITH THE OTHERS
NO WAY
FRESHMEN ARE NOT ALLOWED TO JOIN US
BUT
KANA-SENPAI AND YOU
COULD YOU TAKE TOMOMI WITH YOU?
IT'LL BE FUN!

I UNDER-STAND
WE RE SORRY FOR INTER-RUPT-ING
TOMOMI-CHAN LET S GO TOGETHER
WOULD YOU?
WAIT!
I SHOULDN T HAVE ASKED THEM
LET S GO
SORRY TOMOMI
KANA?
WHAT RE YOU TALKING ABOUT?
IT S OKAY ISN T IT?
WHY ISN T A FRESHMAN ALLOWED TO JOIN US?
SHE SAID THAT SHE WOULD LIKE TO GO WITH US TOGETHER
You Just ruined every-thing Kana
KANA-SENPAI IS REALLY NICE
THANK GOOD-NESS TOMOMI
YES
Why can t I
Be more selfish?

Kyaa!
IT'S SLIPPERY!
ARE YOU ALRIGHT TOMOMI-CHAN?
DO YOU WANT ME TO HOLD YOUR HAND?
I ONLY DID IT ONCE WHEN I WAS LITTLE.
IT'S SCARIER THAN I THOUGHT
NO I'M FINE
YOU CAN GO AHEAD AND HAVE FUN
IS THAT SO?
OKAY, THEN
I'M JUST GOING TO MAKE A FAST TURN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IMPO-SSIBLE!
SHE SEEMS TO BE GOOD AT IT!
YOU SAID SHE SUCKED AT SKATING DIDN'T YOU?
RYUI-CHIRO
SINCE WHEN DID SHE START PRACTI-CING IT?
HA HAHA
IT'S GOOD THAT SHE TURNED OUT TO BE GOOD AT SKAT ING
BUT EVEN KITAHARA TOMOMI CAME TODAY
IT WAS A LONG TIME AGO WASN'T IT?
WHAT?
SHE USED TO BE HORRIBLE AT IT WHEN SHE WAS IN THE 3RD YEAR OF ELEMENTARY SCHOOL
We had to hold onto this fence all the time

WHY DON'T YOU JUST GO AHEAD?
IF YOU THINK YOU CAN DO IT BETTER THAN ME
WHAT THE HECK?
WHAT EVER ANDOU
JUST HURRY UP AND MOVE ALREADY!

OKAY
I'LL GO FIRST THEN
YOSH!
OOPS!
KYAAA!
SO-RRY

WAIT!
HOVE!
YOU'RE PRETTY HEAVY AREN'T CHA?
Stop insulting me!
You're pretty bad at it yourself!
Speak to yourself!
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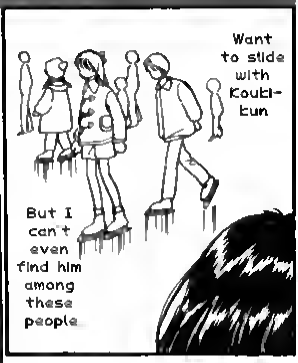
THEY SEEM TO HAVE A LOT OF FUN TOGETHER
THOSE TWO
I AGREE.
You're lucky Haruru
I

YO!


Want to slide with Kouki-kun
But I can't even find him among these people

KOUKI-KUN
YOU'RE PRETTY GOOD AT IT
It's been a while since the last time we talked
I'm so happy
IT'S NOTHING
IT TOOK A LONG TIME BEFORE I FINALLY MANAGED TO SLIDE
Slide slower
You're too fast
I THINK HIS FEET ONLY WORK ON THE REAL SURFACE
CONSIDERING HOW GOOD HE IS AT BASKETBALL
RYUICHIRO IS SO UNEXPECTEDLY BAD AT IT
IT'S JUST NATURAL

Not in front of the others and Tomomi-chan
But I can't
I too
Want to hold Kouki-kun's hand
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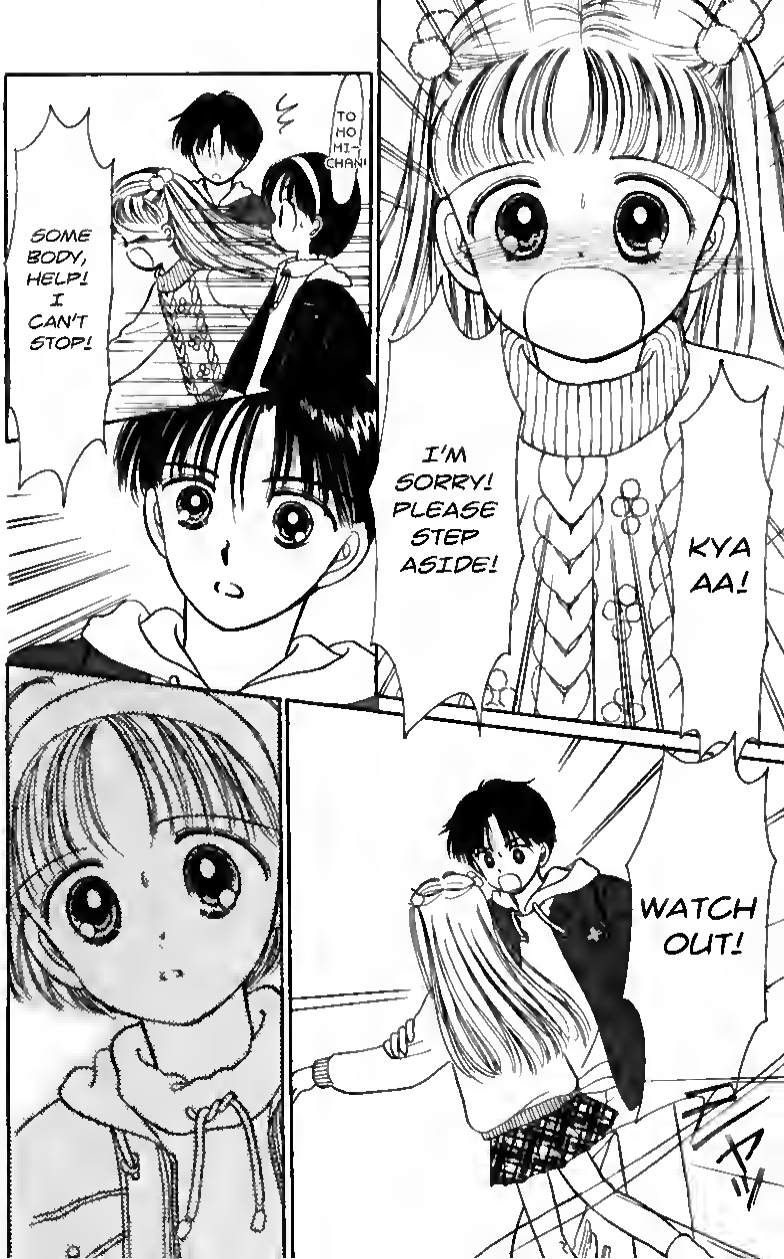
TO HO MI-CHAN!
SOME BODY, HELP! I CAN'T STOP!
I'M SORRY! PLEASE STEP ASIDE!
KYA AA!
WATCH OUT!

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YOU WERE SO CARE-LESS
A BEGINNER SHOULDN T GO WITH THE FULL SPEED LIKE THAT
YOU MIGHT CRASH INTO THE WALL
AH
THANK YOU SO MUCH
WELL
WHY DON'T YOU START WITH GETTING USED TO THE ICE FIRST?
THAT S RIGHT
ONE STEP AT A TIME
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GUESS WHO? ♡
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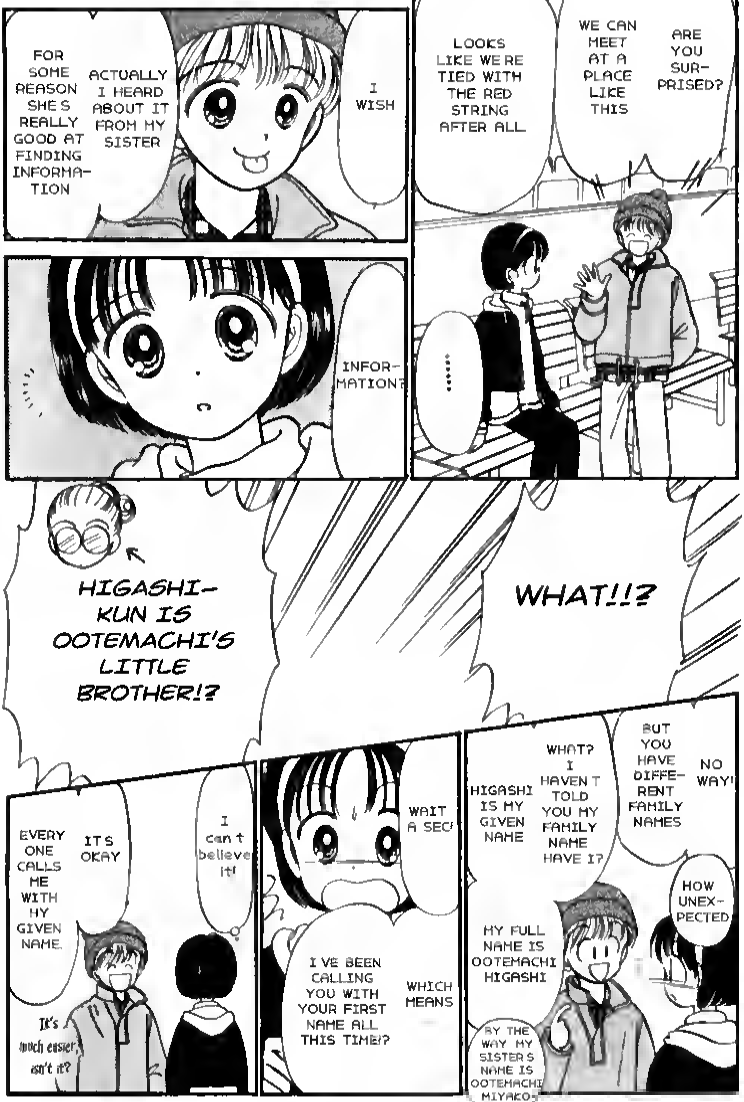
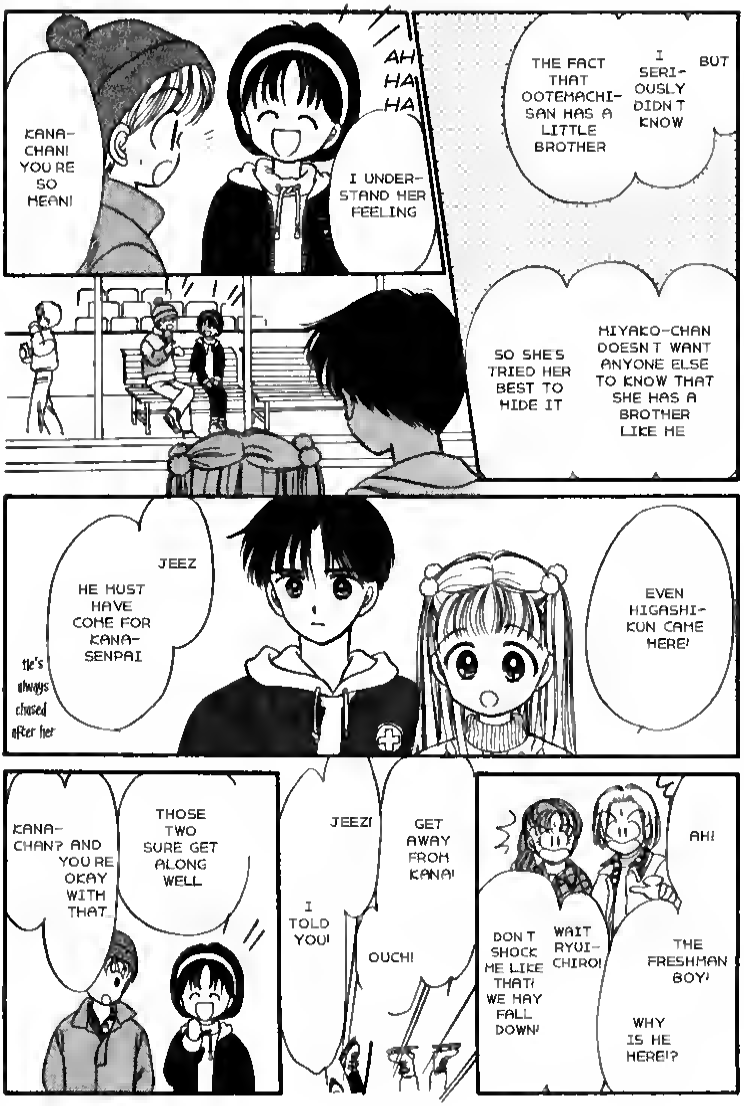
THIS VOICE
HIGA-SHI-KUN?
CORRECT!


I WISH
ACTUALLY I HEARD ABOUT IT FROM MY SISTER
FOR SOME REASON SHE'S REALLY GOOD AT FINDING INFORMATION
LOOKS LIKE WE'RE TIED WITH THE RED STRING AFTER ALL
WE CAN MEET AT A PLACE LIKE THIS
ARE YOU SURPRISED?
INFORMATION?
HIGASHI-KUN IS OOTEMACHI'S LITTLE BROTHER!?
WHAT!!?
I can't believe it!
IT'S OKAY
EVERY ONE CALLS ME WITH MY GIVEN NAME.
It's much easier, isn't it?
WAIT A SEC
I'VE BEEN CALLING YOU WITH YOUR FIRST NAME ALL THIS TIME!?
WHICH MEANS
HIGASHI IS MY GIVEN NAME
WHAT? I HAVEN'T TOLD YOU MY FAMILY NAME HAVE I?
BUT YOU HAVE DIFFERENT FAMILY NAMES
NO WAY!
HOW UNEXPECTED
MY FULL NAME IS OOTEMACHI HIGASHI
BY THE WAY MY SISTER'S NAME IS OOTEMACHI MIYAKO*

*HIGASHI (東) + MIYAKO (京) = TOKYO (東京) (THE CAPITAL CITY OF JAPAN)


KANA-CHAN! YOU'RE SO MEAN!
AH HA HA
I UNDER-STAND HER FEELING
THE FACT THAT OOTEMACHI-SAN HAS A LITTLE BROTHER
I SERI-OUSLY DIDN'T KNOW
BUT
SO SHE'S TRIED HER BEST TO HIDE IT
MIYAKO-CHAN DOESN'T WANT ANYONE ELSE TO KNOW THAT SHE HAS A BROTHER LIKE ME
JEEZ
HE MUST HAVE COME FOR KANA-SENPAI
He's always chased after her
EVEN HIGASHI-KUN CAME HERE!
KANA-CHAN? AND YOU'RE OKAY WITH THAT.
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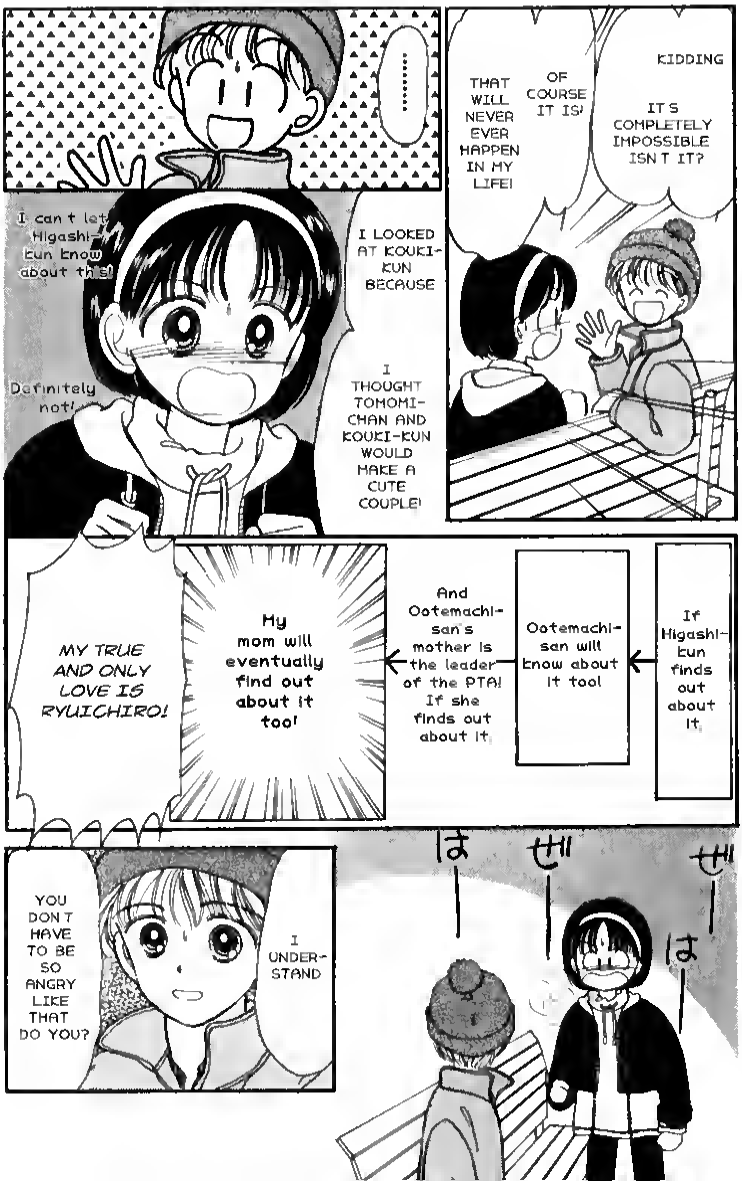
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SEE YOU LATER
How many lies have I told so far?
I lied again
When will this ever?
The more I lie
The heavier the burden I carry
UGH
MY LEGS HURT SO MUCH!
LOOKS LIKE
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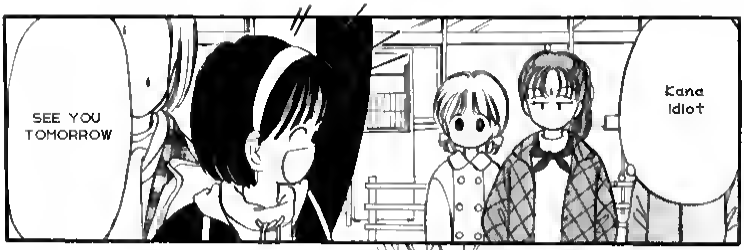
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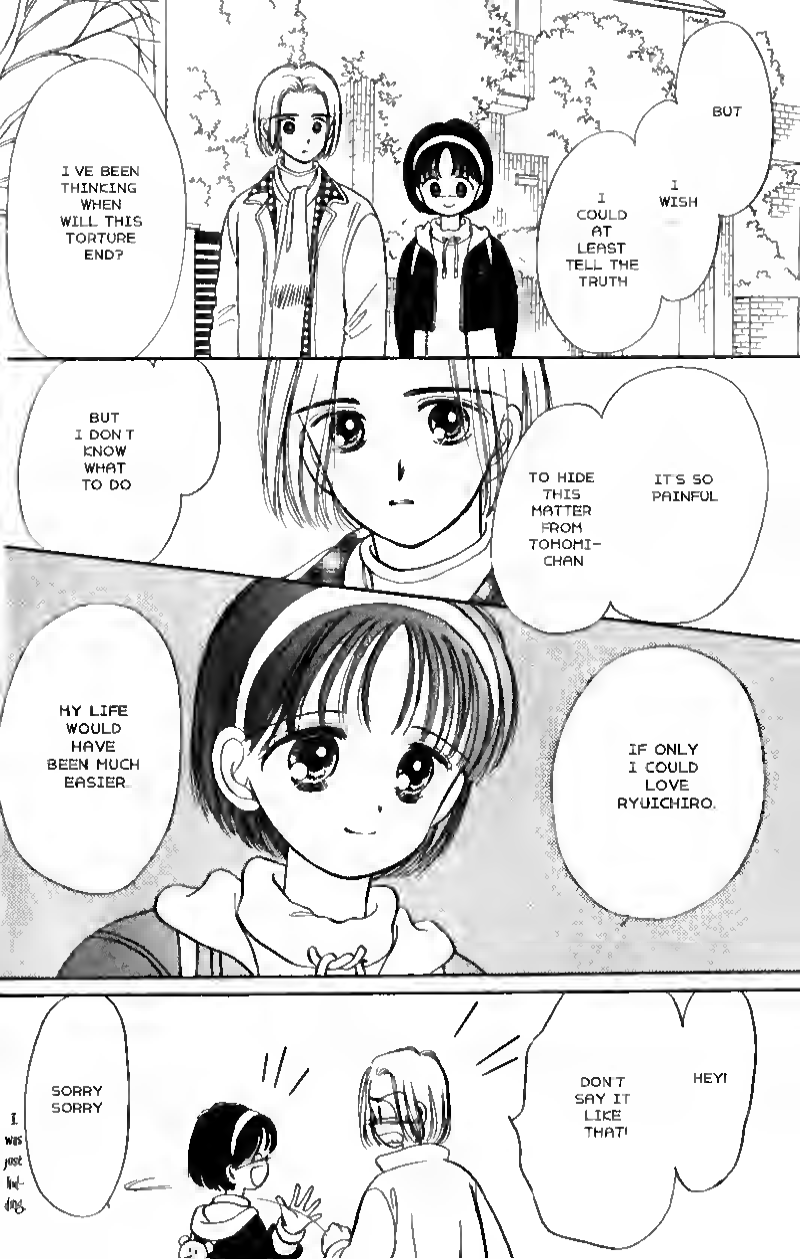
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I was just kidding.
DON'T SAY IT LIKE THAT!
HEY!

I REALLY WISH
THAT COULD HAPPEN
KANA

I'M BACK!
IS MIYAKO-CHAN HOME?
I'M JUST WONDERING.
IF SUZUKI KANA-CHAN AND RYUICHIRO-SENPAI REALLY ARE DATING
WHAT IS IT HIGASHI?
YOU'RE SO LOUD.
THANK GOODNESS
THERE'S SOMETHING I WANT TO TALK TO MIYAKO-CHAN
I FEEL AWKWARD SOMEHOW
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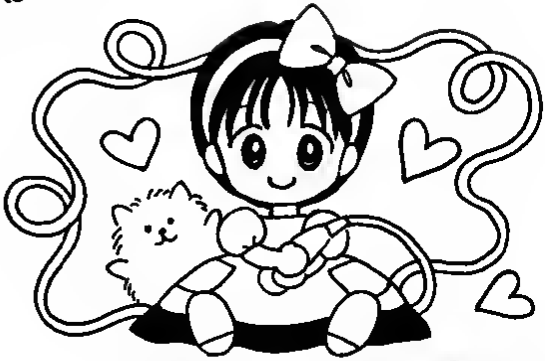

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I don't want to feel this anymore
I really want to tell Tomomi-chan the truth!
I CRIED BEFORE YOU
YOU MUST HAVE BEEN BURDENED RIGHT?
I'M SORRY SENPAI
I can't advice you anything
I'm sorry too Tomomi-chan

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I really can't tell her about it
I LOVE YOU, KOUKI-KUN
But
I wonder what her reaction will be
Meanwhile I still can't tell anyone else about it
I've been so selfish
I can't give the chocolate to Kouki-kun
Not when I'm feeling guilty like this
I've been lying to people
I don't deserve happiness if the others are not happy
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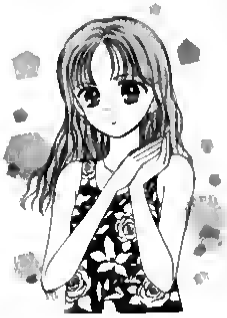

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SHE DIDN'T GIVE HE ANY THING
WHAT KIND OF CHOCOLATE DID YOU GET FROM KANA? YESTERDAY?
KOUKI WHY ARE YOU SO GLOOMY?
HUH?
I'm sorry
I can't give you the choco-late
I TOLD YOU SHE DIDN'T GIVE HE ANY-THING!
LOVELY! YOU GET IT?
IT WAS A HOMEMADE CHOCOLATE WASN'T IT? DAMN! I ENVY YOU LOVELY VALENTINE!
DON'T WORRY YOU WON'T HURT MY FEEL-ING
AGAIN WITH THAT ATTI-TUDE
SERIOUSLY?
YOU'RE LYING RIGHT?
I'M NOT INTO A VALEN-TINE'S DAY AFTER ALL
IT'S OKAY. I DON'T CARE
YOU SHOULDN'T DO THAT BEFORE THE VALENTINE'S DAY YOU KNOW
WHY NOT? DID YOU HAVE A FIGHT?

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KOUKI
THE PROBLEM IS YOUR PERSONA-LITY
I GET IT
YOU NEVER CARED ABOUT KANA
ビュッ
YOU SHOULD'VE JUST BEEN STRAIGHT TO HER
TELL HER THAT YOU WANT A CHOCOLATE FROM HER
MAYBE THAT'S WHY SHE HATES YOU
YOU NEVER SAY SOMETHING SWEET TO HER OR GIVE HER A RESPECT
IN YOUR CASE
SINCE YOU TWO DON'T HAVE A NORMAL RELATION-SHIP
YOU SHOULDN'T HAVE MADE HER MORE WORRIED
I'M SURE
SHE'S WORRIED ABOUT YOU
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AH! THE WEATHER IS SO NICE TODAY
IT'S SO WARM
IT WAS A GOOD IDEA TO EAT OUR BENTO OUTSIDE
LOOK
THE SQUID IS THE WINNER TODAY I'M GOING TO EAT HIM FIRST
POOR SQUID
OOPS
I ALMOST FORGOT
I HAVE A MEETING DURING LUNCH BREAK TODAY
It's already time
SORRY! I'M GOING FIRST!
SEE YOU! LATER!
SHE'S ACTING STRANGE TODAY'S KANA
YES
SHE REALLY IS STRANGE

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WHAT HAPPENED?
NO WAY
YESTERDAY SHE DIDN'T GIVE A CHOCOLATE TO KOUKI EITHER
LIKE A GHOST, RIGHT?
I TOLD YOU TO STOP SNEAKING BEHIND SOMEONE'S BACK ANYMORE! RYUICHIRO!
EH?
SHE'S USED TO IT ALREADY
HM...
MAYBE SHE DIDN'T GET A CHANCE TO GIVE IT TO HIM?
THAT'S THE ONLY REASON I CAN COME UP WITH
POOR KANA-CHAN...
AS I THOUGHT SOMETHING WAS WRONG WITH THOSE TWO
IT MUST HAVE BEEN TROUBLESOME TO KEEP A RELATIONSHIP FROM ANYONE ELSE
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IT'S SLIPPERY!
Sylvie
ARE YOU ALRIGHT TOMOMI-CHAN?
DO YOU WANT ME TO HOLD YOUR HAND?
I ONLY DID IT ONCE WHEN I WAS LITTLE.
IT'S SCARIER THAN I THOUGHT
NO I'M FINE
YOU CAN GO AHEAD AND HAVE FUN
IS THAT SO?
OKAY THEN
I'M JUST GOING TO MAKE A FAST TURN
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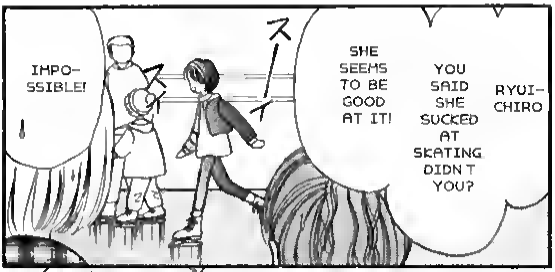

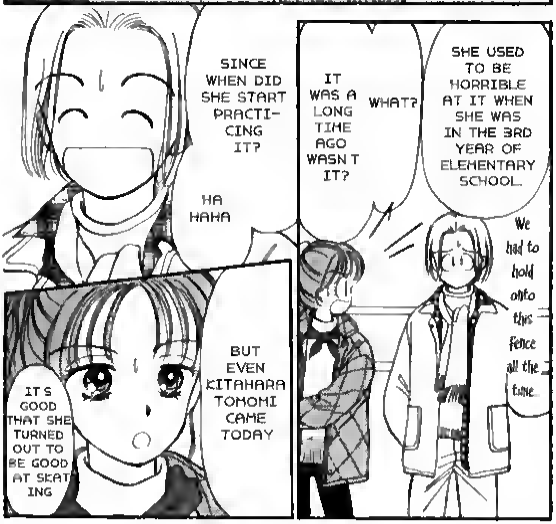
SINCE WHEN DID SHE START PRACTI-CING IT?
HA HAHA
IT'S GOOD THAT SHE TURNED OUT TO BE GOOD AT SKATING
BUT EVEN KITAHARA TOMOMI CAME TODAY
IT WAS A LONG TIME AGO WASN'T IT?
WHAT?
SHE USED TO BE HORRIBLE AT IT WHEN SHE WAS IN THE 3RD YEAR OF ELEMENTARY SCHOOL.
We had to hold onto this fence all the time.

WHY DON'T YOU JUST GO AHEAD?
IF YOU THINK YOU CAN DO IT BETTER THAN ME
WHAT THE HECK?
WHAT EVER ANDOU
JUST HURRY UP AND MOVE ALREADY!

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OKAY
I'LL GO FIRST THEN
YOSH!
OOPS!
KYAAA!
SO-RRY

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KOUKI-KUN
YOU'RE PRETTY GOOD AT IT
It's been a while since the last time we talked
I'm so happy
IT'S NOTHING
IT TOOK A LONG TIME BEFORE I FINALLY MANAGED TO SLIDE
Slide slower
You're too fast
I THINK HIS FEET ONLY WORK ON THE REAL SURFACE
CONSIDERING HOW GOOD HE IS AT BASKETBALL
RYUICHIRO IS SO UNEXPECTEDLY BAD AT IT
IT'S JUST NATURAL

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Not in front of the others and Tomomi chan
But I can't
I too
Want to hold Kouki-kun's hand.
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TO HO MI-CHAN!
SOME BODY, HELP! I CAN'T STOP!
I'M SORRY! PLEASE STEP ASIDE!
KYA AA!
WATCH OUT!

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YOU WERE SO CARE-LESS
A BEGINNER SHOULDN T GO WITH THE FULL SPEED LIKE THAT
YOU MIGHT CRASH INTO THE WALL
WELL
WHY DON'T YOU START WITH GETTING USED TO THE ICE FIRST?
AH
THANK YOU SO MUCH
THAT S RIGHT
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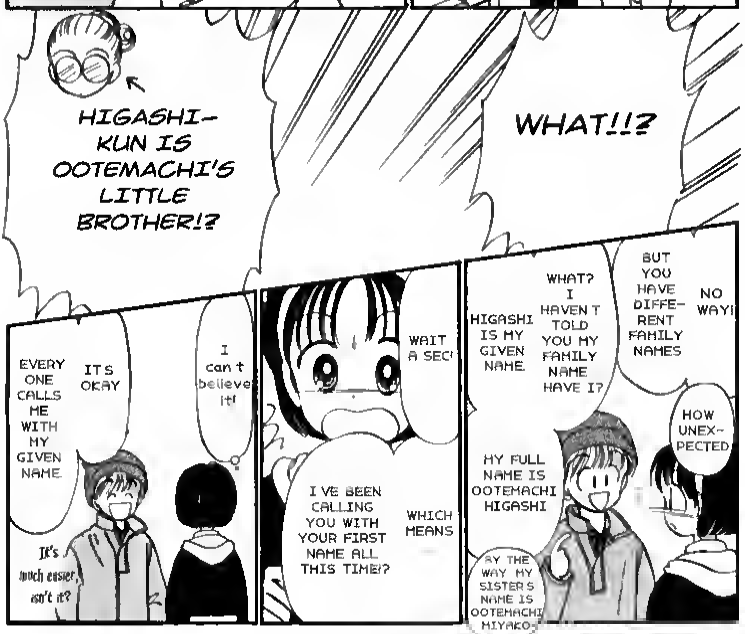
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WHAT!!?
I can't believe it!
IT'S OKAY
EVERY ONE CALLS ME WITH MY GIVEN NAME
It's much easier, isn't it?
WAIT A SEC!
I'VE BEEN CALLING YOU WITH YOUR FIRST NAME ALL THIS TIME!?
WHICH MEANS
HIGASHI IS MY GIVEN NAME
WHAT? I HAVEN'T TOLD YOU MY FAMILY NAME HAVE I?
BUT YOU HAVE DIFFERENT FAMILY NAMES
NO WAY!
HOW UNEXPECTED
MY FULL NAME IS OOTEMACHI HIGASHI
BY THE WAY MY SISTER'S NAME IS OOTEMACHI MIYAKO

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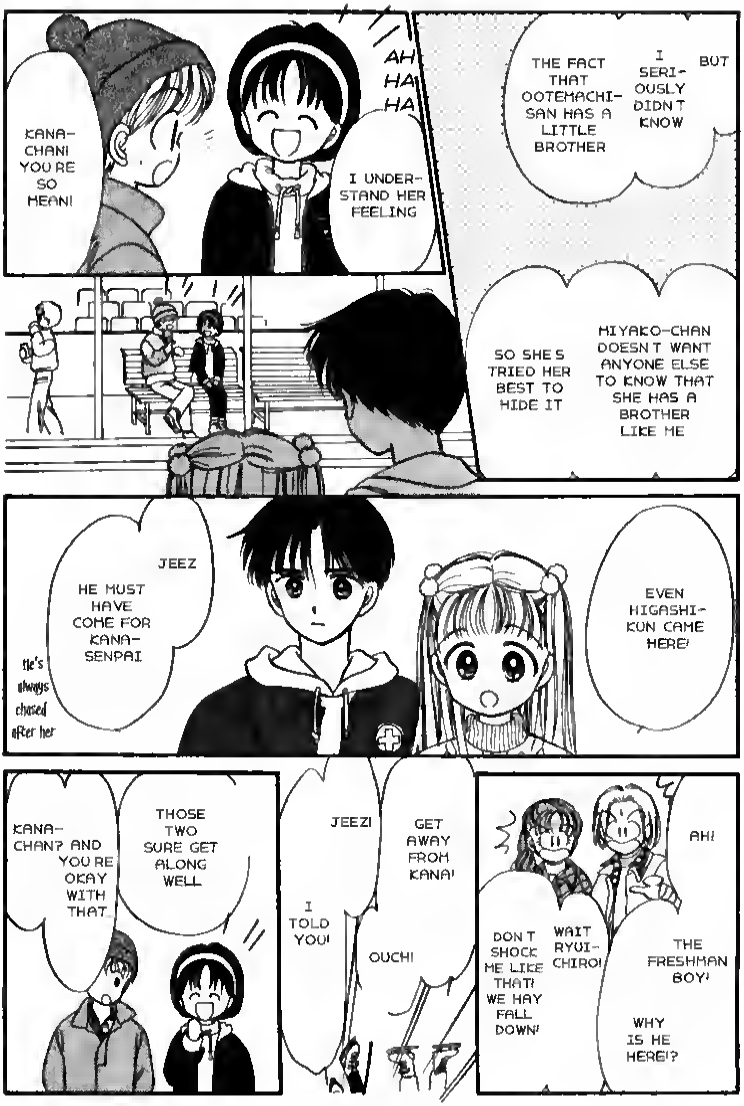
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BUT
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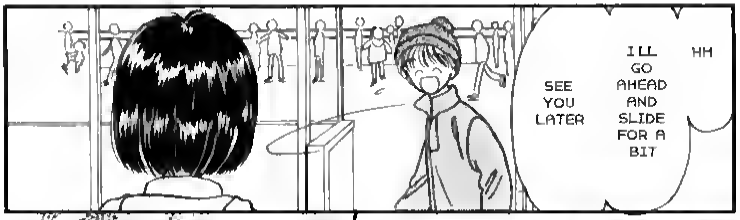

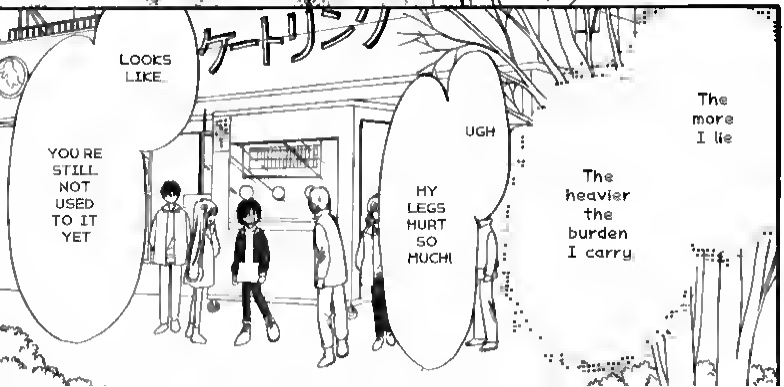

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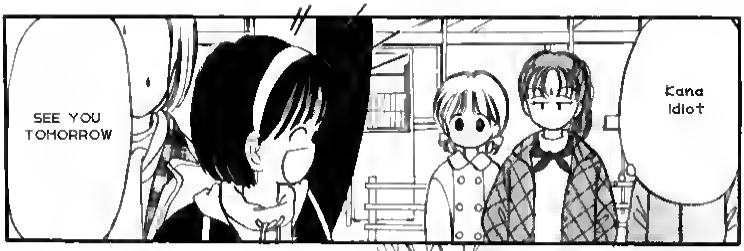
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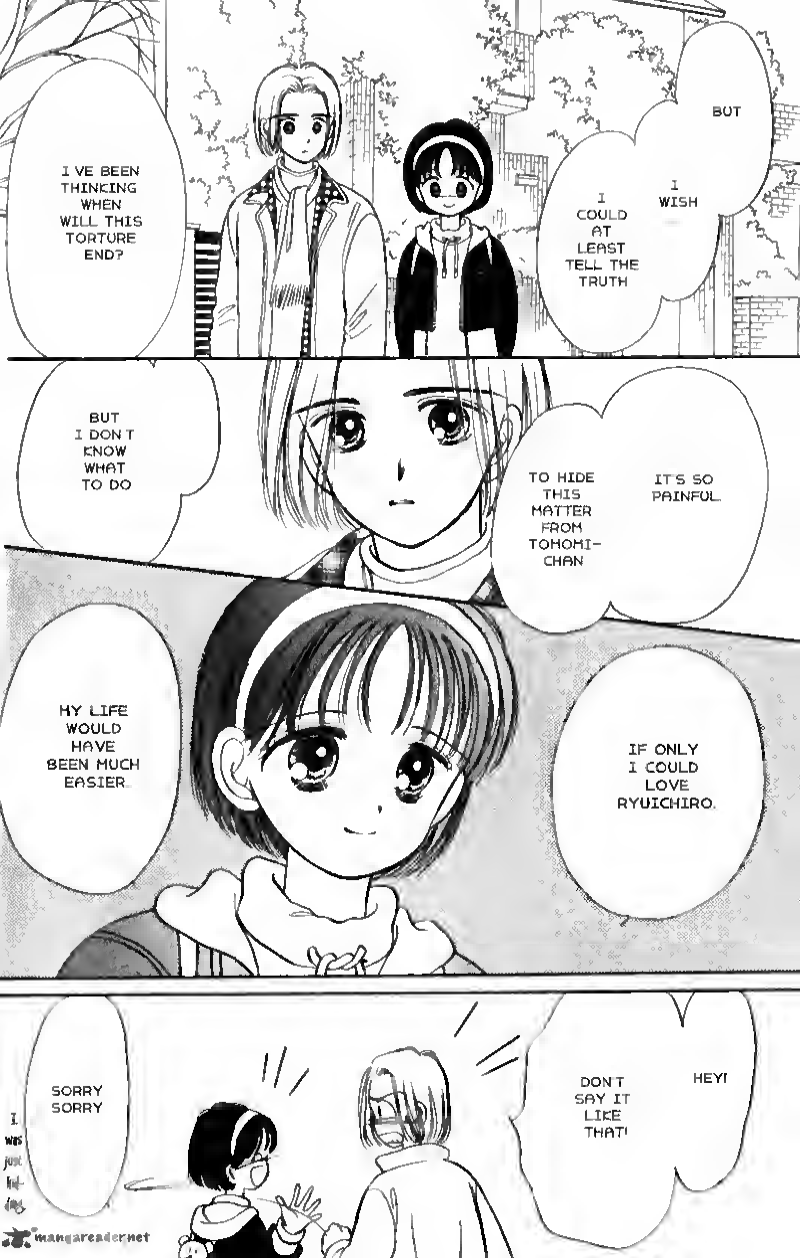
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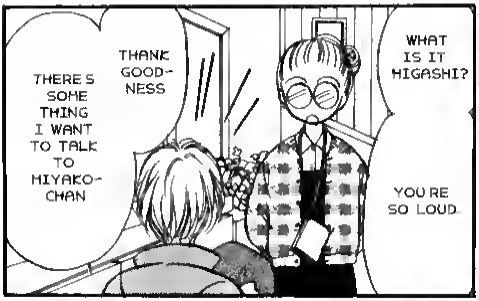

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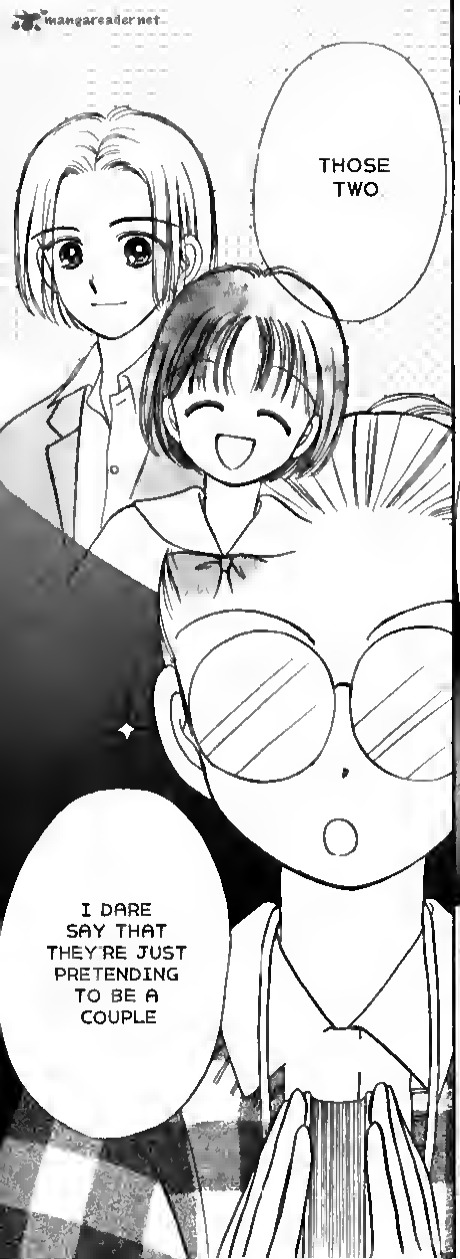

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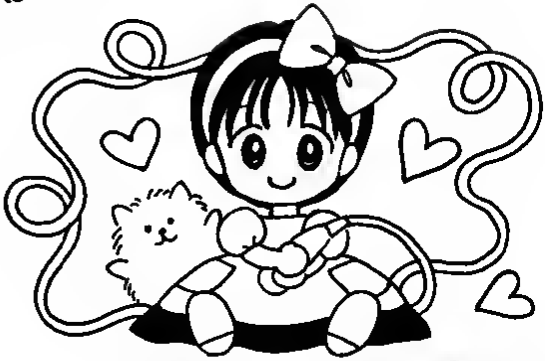

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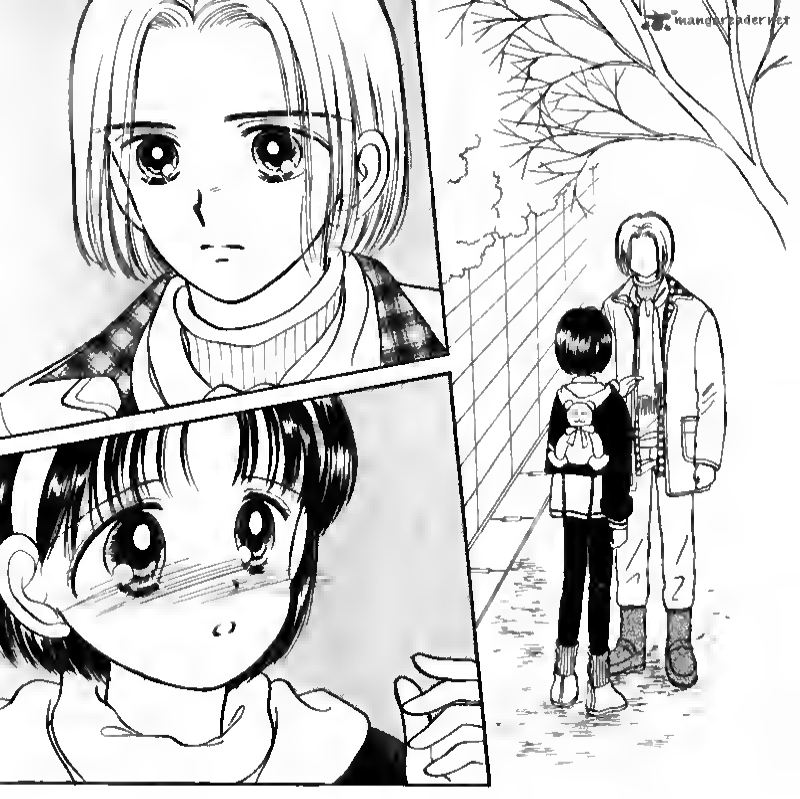

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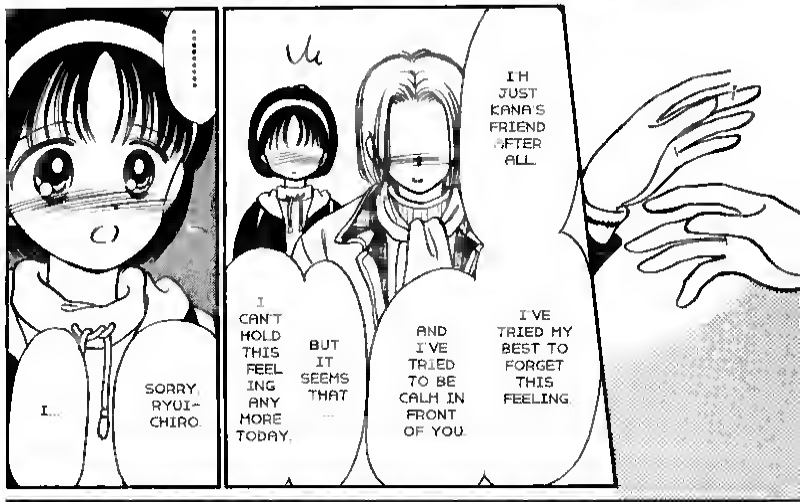
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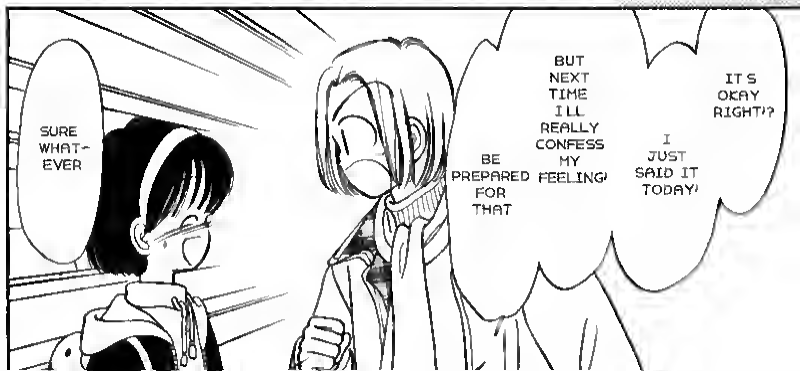

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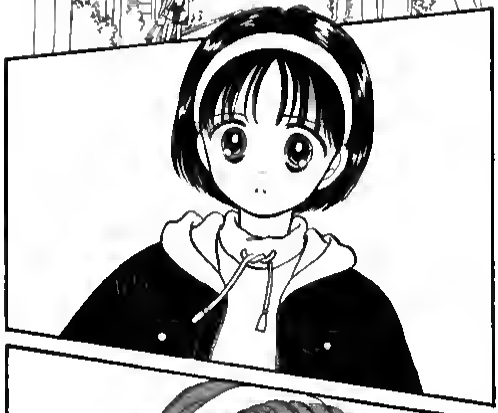

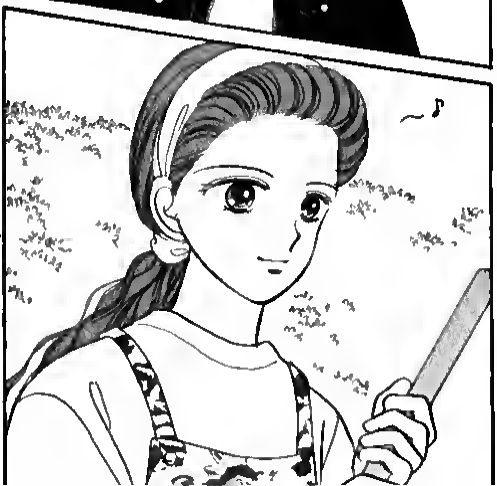

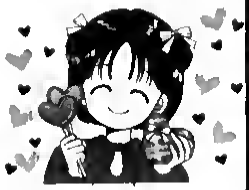

What should we do Kouki-kun?
How far really is
I've
to
it
ough
The green tunnel?

ANYWAY
THIS IS GOING TO BE OUR LAST PUBLICATION OF THE YEAR
I WANT TO HAVE A SPECIAL ARTICLE ON IT
PLUS THIS IS GOING TO BE THE LAST PUBLICATION FOR THE SENIORS
WE WANT TO MAKE IT REALLY SPECIAL.
SEN PAIS
YOU'LL GRADUATE SOON WON'T YOU?
I'M GONNA MISS YOU ALL
BUT I'M GOING TO ATTEND THE HIGH SCHOOL NEXT DOOR
SO I'LL STILL BE SEEING YOU OFTEN
IN THAT CASE
I'LL LEAVE IT TO YOU TWO
FOR THE FRESHMAN INTERVIEW COLUMN
UNDER-STOOO
RIGHT. IT'LL BE FUN.
UH. NEXT.
YES.
I THINK SO.
They team me up with Ootemachi-san?
I have a bad feeling about it

KANA-CHAN!
HIGASHI-KUN!
NEXT
WE NEED TO INTERVIEW THE SOCCER CLUB'S MEMBERS FOR THEIR ACHIEVEMENT OF BEING THE TOP 4
IT'S BEEN A WHILE SINCE THE LAST TIME I INTERVIEWED THE SOCCER CLUB
HIGASHI-KUN'S JOINED THE SOCCER CLUB?
I DIDN'T KNOW THAT
WOW
I'M SO HAPPY YOU'LL INTERVIEW ME
RIGHT?
YOU'RE FROM THE NEWSPAPER CLUB?
YAY, YAY!
AH!
IDIOT!
HE'S BEEN STARING AT YOU ALL THE TIME
SENPAI DID YOU KNOW?
SHE DIDN'T EVEN RECOGNIZE YOUR EXISTENCE HIGASHI
SHE DIDN'T KNOW ABOUT IT
POOR GUY
SHEI!
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I HATED IT
BUT SOON I FOUND OUT THAT YOU HAVE A BOYFRIEND ALREADY
I VE REALLY FALLEN FOR YOUR SMILE
I COULD FINALLY GET ALONG WITH KANA-CHAN
I THOUGHT THAT D BE MY PERFECT CHANCE
WHEN KANA-CHAN ACCIDEN TALLY DROPPED THE LETTER
YOU RE SO CUTE

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SAY IF YOU TWO AREN'T REALLY A COUPLE,
I JUST WANT YOU TO KNOW THAT...
I HAVEN'T GIVEN UP HOPE YET
.....
WHAT DO YOU MEAN?
GATHER!
HIGA-SHI! HURRY UP!
SUZUKI-SAN! LET'S GO!

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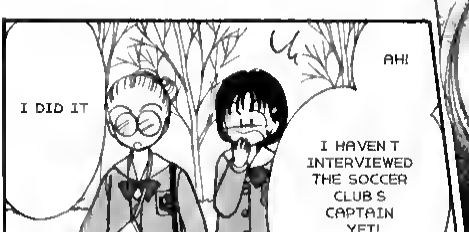
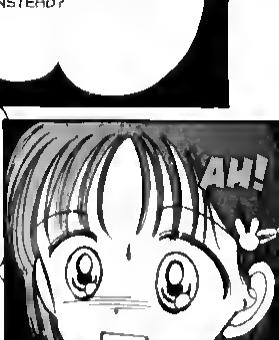


SHOULD WE INTER VIEW THE SCHOOL HEAD MASTER OR THE STUDENT BODY PRESI-DENT?
THE CLUBS HAVE STARTED THEIR ACTIVITIES ALREADY
WHAT ARE WE GOING TO DO NEXT?
IS THAT SO?
SORRY AND THANKS



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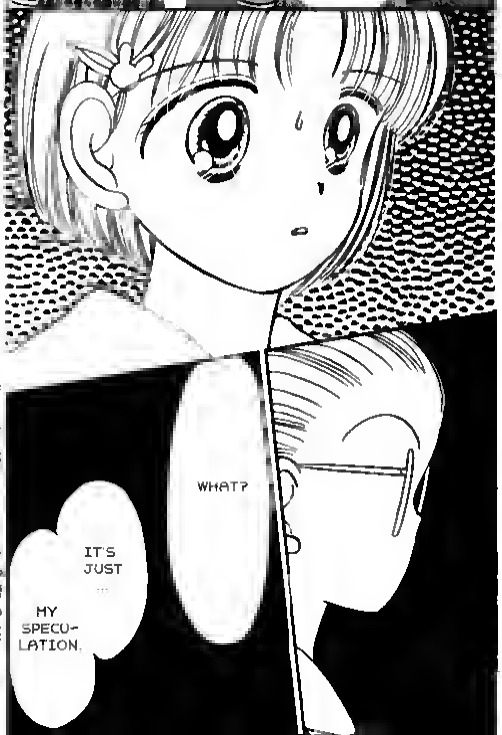

SUZUKI-SAN'S MOTHER AND SHIBATA-KUN'S MOTHER
THEY DON'T GET ALONG REALLY WELL, DO THEY?
THAT'S WHY YOU CAN'T TELL ANYONE ELSE ABOUT HIM
RIGHT?
AND YOU DON'T KNOW WHAT TO DO
YOU'VE BEEN TROUBLED BY IT
I'D RATHER HAVE BROKEN UP WITH HIM THAN DATED HIM SECRETLY LIKE THIS
IF I WERE YOU
I FEEL SORRY FOR YOU
What should I do now!?
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What will happen to us?
And then ...
My secret has been found out!
Our moms will find out about it soon!
WE'RE GOING TO MOVE IMMEDI TELY!
I'LL NEVER LET YOU GO
PLEASE BREAK UP WITH HIM
I HAVEN'T GIVEN UP HOPE YET
YOU'RE SO MEAN!
SO YOU'VE BEEN DATING KOUKI-SENPAI ALL ALONG!
KANA!

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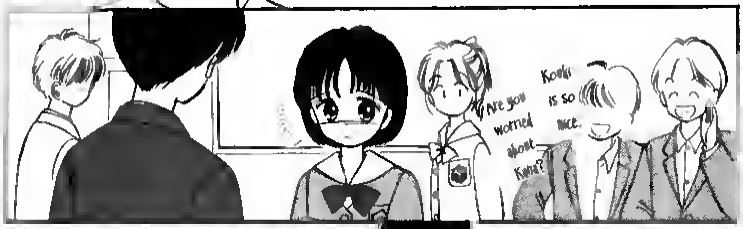

Meet me at the rooftop. We're gonna skip the third lesson.
THANK YOU FOR WORRYING ABOUT HE
NOTHING HAPPENED
I'M FINE
AN
IS THAT SO?

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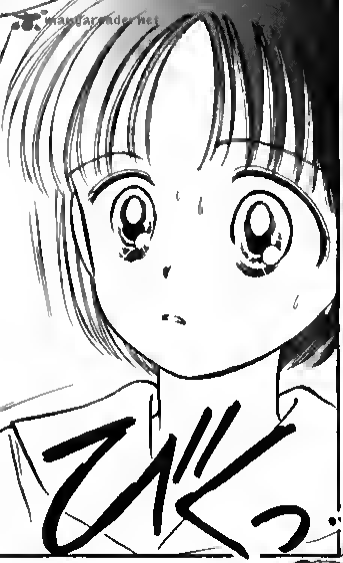

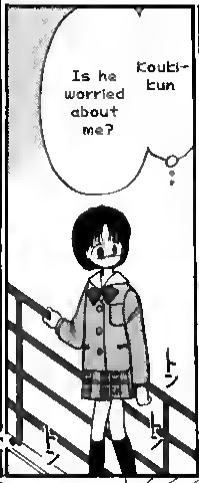

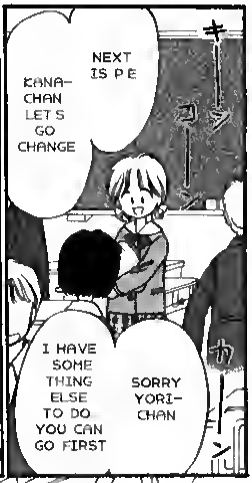

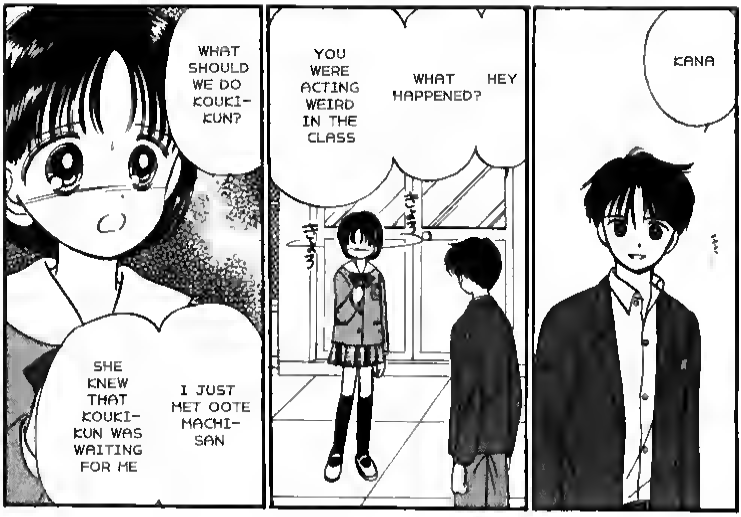
KANA
HEY
WHAT HAPPENED?
YOU WERE ACTING WEIRD IN THE CLASS
WHAT SHOULD WE DO KOUKI-KUN?
I JUST MET OOTE MACHI-SAN
SHE KNEW THAT KOUKI-KUN WAS WAITING FOR ME

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KANA!
WHAT IF EVERYONE KNOWS ABOUT IT?
WHAT SHOULD WE DO KOUKI-KUN?
I THINK SHE'S FOUND OUT ABOUT US ALREADY
JUDGING FROM HER EXPRES-SION
WHAT IF SHE TELLS ANYONE ELSE ABOUT IT?
THE FACT THAT WE'VE BEEN DATING ALL THE TIME
LET'S TELL THEM THE TRUTH

.....
NO
I CAN'T DO IT
SO WHAT IF THEY KNOW ABOUT IT?
THE WORST THING SCENARIO IS THAT YOU HOVE SOMEWHERE ELSE!
BUT IF THIS CONTINUES NOBODY WILL APPROVE OUR RELATION-SHIP!
KOUKI-KUN
BUT AT THIS POINT
OUR MOTHERS WILL NOT STOP OPPOSING OUR RELATION-SHIP!
I M SURE
THEY LL OPPOSE US MORE IF WE TELL THEM THE TRUTH!
WE CAN NEVER HAVE A REAL DATE!
I CAN T EVEN CALL YOU!
KANA
ARE YOU OKAY WITH THIS?

.....
I HAVE TO GO
IT'S PE
WE CAN'T SKIP IT
KANA!
It's a complete mess!
I don't even know how to fix it anymore.
My true feeling
I can't even feel it

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IS THAT TRUE THAT YOU'VE BEEN DATING KOUKI-KUN?
WHAT'S THE MEANING OF THIS?
YOU OPENED MY DRAWER WITHOUT PERMISSION!?
SO MEAN!
WE'RE NOT DATING AT ALL!
YOU'RE MISTAKEN!
BUT SINCE HIS MOM AND YOU WON'T APPROVE US, WE CAN'T HAVE A NORMAL DATE ALL THIS TIME!
KOUKI-KUN AND I LOVE EACH OTHER!
SO WHAT IS THIS?
I can't call that a date!

NEVER, NEVER, NEVER!
WE NEVER HAD A NORMAL DATE FOR HIS MOM'S AND YOUR SAKE!
WAIT FOR ME KANA!
KANA!
SHIBATA
WHERE ARE YOU GOING?

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HEY YOU
CAN YOU STOP BOTHERING MY DAUGHTER?
THAT'S SUPPOSED TO BE MY LINE!
LET'S GO!

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JUST STOP DATING.
MAYBE WE SHOULD